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Charlie Broadway, 23, and William 'Billy' Broadway, 18, both from Ilton, were jointly charged with murder, attempted murder and possessing a firearm with intent to endanger life on Sunday.

The pair appeared at Taunton Magistrates' Court yesterday. Neither entered a plea, speaking only to confirm their names, date of births and addresses.

They were originally scheduled to attend Yeovil Magistrates' Court but their hearing was moved to Taunton after a crash on the M5 caused them to be delayed in heavy traffic.

They were remanded in custody and will appear at Bristol Crown Court today (Tuesday, May 10th) for a plea and case management hearing.

A second man, in his twenties, was also hurt in the

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incident resulting in non life-threatening injuries.

Bonnie Broadway, 29, from Ilton, was charged with assisting an offender early yesterday morning.

Police arrested a total of seven people in connection with the incident and the other four currently remain in custody.

The manhunt following the Chubbards Cross death made national headlines.

Head of Avon and Somerset Constabulary's Major Crime Investigation Team, Detective Superintendent Andy Bevan, said on Sunday: "This has been a fast-paced and wide-ranging investigation and I would like to again thank the local communities affected for their patience and support.

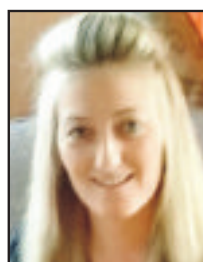
"We will continue to have a visible police presence at Chubbards Cross caravan site as this ongoing, complex investigation continues.

"A vast amount of work is still taking place at the scene as our meticulous forensic examination develops. We anticipate this site will remain closed for the next few days as these enquiries progress.

"Our thoughts remain with Wilfred's family and specially trained Family Liaison Officers continue to support them through this difficult time.

The investigation moved quickly following the incident on Thursday night. Charlie Broadway, 23, handed himself in to police shortly before 8pm on Friday.

On Saturday afternoon, officers arrested 37-year-old John Broadway in Lichfield, Staffordshire, on suspicion of murder, attempted murder and firearms offences. He has not been charged.



■ CHARLIE Broadway, 23, pictured above left, has been charged with murder jointly with William 'Billy' Broadway (not pictured). Centre, John Broadway, 37, was arrested on suspicion of murder, attempted murder and firearms offences but has not been charged. Right, Donna Broadway was arrested on suspicion of helping an offender but has also not been charged.

Police have confirmed that a weapon, believed to be a shotgun, has been found during their ongoing investigations. This will now be forensically examined by specialists but police are keeping an open mind as to whether this was the weapon used during the incident.

Relatives paid emotional tributes to father, husband, uncle and grandad Wilfred Isaacs on social media on Friday.

Mr Issac's niece, Teresa Winter, wrote: "Rip uncle

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■ THE scene at the Ilton caravan park as police searched for Charlie Broadway, who later handed himself into police on Friday



■ WILFRED Isaacs who died at Chubbards Cross caravan site in Ilton on Thursday night

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



SIDMOUTH: Vicki Angus Campbell has organised a gala concert on May 14th to mark Sidmouth Lions Club's 40th anniversary



CHARD: Mayor Dave Bulmer has just returned from an official visit to twin town Seica Mare, where he was the guest of charity Project Romania



ILMINSTER: Andrew Fox, who hosted the town's popular Town Crier Competition on Saturday, May 7th



AXMINSTER: Maria Hall raised £1,400 for Cancer Research by running the London Marathon

Quotes of the week...

“We frequently hear how there is not enough out of school opportunities for young people – here is a chance to make a real difference.”

Julie Grabham, Girlguiding Axminster District Commissioner, as Brownie and Guide groups across the Axe Valley seek more volunteer leaders

“Children aren't machines and it's about time we stopped treating them like they are.”

Paula Richards, in a group of parents taking their children on a fun educational trip to the beach at Seaton Jurassic instead of school on May 3rd, as part of the 'Let our kids be kids' campaign protesting SATS tests in primary schools

“I won't bore you with a long speech because I don't believe in blowing my own trumpet.”

Brian Rockett, receiving his Chard Outstanding Citizen of the Year Award

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If you can help the police inquiry, please call 999 and quote log 1051 of May 5th.

From the editor's chair Our common goals in promoting area



LAST week I wrote about the challenges that face the traditional chamber of commerce in *Pulman's Country*, stressing the importance of the trading community having a strong voice in local affairs but hampered by the difficulty of getting hard-pressed traders to commit themselves.

Coincidentally, on the day my column was published I made a presentation that evening to the Promote Colyton Group's annual meeting at the Colcombe Castle.

The group was celebrating its first full year in operation, having taken over from the former Colyton Business Group.

My column last week focused on Axminster Chamber of Commerce adopting a less formal approach with occasional social occasions rather than a poorly-attended monthly meeting.

This will allow members to get together from time to time and to respond to issues as and when they happen, rather than discussing the same topics month after month.

Colyton, of course, has a reputation of being a community which always rises to the challenge and that would certainly seem to be the case with the Promote Colyton Group.

They have clearly had a successful first year.

By concentrating an organising events which will attract people into the town, the trading community is bound to benefit and that was certainly the case when they staged a Monmouth Rebellion Day last summer.

Future events being organised for this year include a display of heraldic banners in the town centre throughout the summer months and a heraldic market to celebrate The Feoffees' 450th anniversary.

The meeting was well attended and I was struck by the enthusiasm of those behind this initiative, not all them traders.

The purpose of the Promote Colyton Group is somewhat similar to the intentions of this newspaper. We see one of our key roles as promoting the myriad of events and attractions that make *Pulman's Country* such a wonderful place in which to live and work.

We remain the only publication that still sends reporters to cover such events despite the financial pressures on local newspapers and are certainly the only one to give Colyton the coverage it deserves (see our seven-page advertising feature inside).

PHILIP EVANS

SEATON Citizen of the Year Award overhaul

WORK is under way to radically reform the Seaton Citizen of the Year Award, turning it into a major showpiece that "bigs up" the town and provides "anticipation and secrecy on the night".

The move was agreed at a meeting of Seaton Town Council, one member saying this year's event was "a bit of a shambles".

Paul Hotchkiss's loyal service to the community over many years won him the Seaton Citizen of the Year Award 2016. The award was presented to him by Seaton mayor Tony Woodman during the annual town meeting on April 18th.

Although Mr Hotchkiss attracted rapturous applause, the ceremony was over very quickly and reforming the award was on the agenda of Seaton Town Council's April meeting on April 25th.

All agreed to set up a working group which will look into the matter and report back to full council.

The award is given in recognition of "loyal and unfailing service to the town and as an example to others as one who puts duty to the community before self."

COLYTON Promote Colyton reports on successful first 18 months

THE Promote Colyton group has reported on a very successful first 18 months, saying it has helped "bring the town together".

The group was launched in November 2014, taking over from the former business group with the aim of promoting businesses and a vibrant community.

Its first annual general meeting was held in the Colcombe Castle last week where committee members reported on a successful start, with the highlight being the Monmouth Rebellion Day, which included re-enactments from the Taunton Garrison, held in Colyton last summer.

Treasurer Louise Tuffin said that the group now had about 50 members and had got off to a good start thanks to generous donations from Devon County Council and the former business group, which donated all of its remaining funds.

The committee is looking for new members to join, especially local business people. Anyone interested should email info@colyton.co.uk

EAST DEVON Newly elected PCC could face police investigation

THE newly elected Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Commissioner, Alison Hernandez, has been plunged into controversy just days after topping the poll.

Ms Hernandez may be involved in a police investigation after claims that party election expenses rules were broken last year.

As the agent for Kevin Foster, the successful Conservative candidate for Torbay MP at the 2015 General Election last May, Ms Hernandez is responsible if his expenses claim is wrong.

Channel 4 broke the news, saying police are investigating several constituency expenses claims as part of a national row over whether local constituencies or the national party should have paid for certain election expenses, including the use of the party's 'big blue battle bus' in certain target seats.

It is a criminal offence to exceed election expense limits and making a false spending declaration carries a punishment of up to a year in prison and/or an unlimited fine.

Ms Hernandez has said that she had not been personally notified by the police of any investigation.

She added: "I stand ready to assist with any enquiries that the police or any other agency wish to make."

"At my request the chief executive has put in place arrangements that I will have no contact with the Chief Constable or any officer from Devon and Cornwall in relation to this matter."

AXMINSTER Garage break-in: thieves cause £9,000 in damage

BURGLARS caused £9,000 in damage when breaking into a petrol station and garage in Axminster.

They also stole a motorcycle worth an estimated £3,000 plus a large amount of cigarettes.

The burglary took place at Prospect Garage in Lyme Road at some point between 6pm on Friday, April 29th and 6.30am on Saturday April 30th.

A police spokesperson said: "Offenders got inside the business by damaging the front shutter. Damage is estimated at £9,000."

"They stole a large amount of cigarettes and a £3,000-motorcycle – an orange KTM motorcycle, registration WA57 UEO."

"Police are appealing for information from anyone who may have seen suspicious activity or individuals at the premises at the time of the offence."

"They are also keen to hear from anyone who may have seen the stolen motorcycle or from anyone who may have been offered it for sale."

Anyone with information is asked to call police on 101.

The crime reference is CR/027671/16.

HONITON Senior Voice call meeting on post office move

HONITON Senior Voice (HSV) has confirmed it will stage a public meeting to discuss the proposed move of Honiton Post Office.

WH Smith has been chosen as the preferred destination when Honiton's Crown Post Office is closed down, and a public consultation exercise is under way.

The HSV meeting was confirmed in a statement issued on Friday May 6th, saying it will start at 3pm in Honiton Methodist Hall on Friday, May 20th.

HSV spokesperson Tony Simpson said: "The Crown Post Office is too important to be left to market forces."

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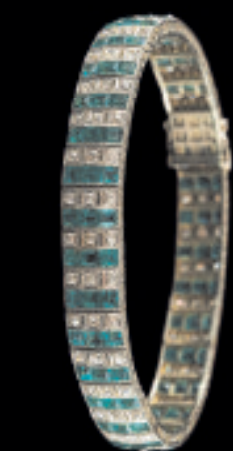
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Plans for new homes rejected

PLANS to build 72 homes off of Crewkerne Road in Chard were last week rejected by South Somerset District Council.

The council's Area West committee met at the Guildhall in Chard on Wednesday, April 20th where they discussed the planning application put forward by Paul Hoffmann.

Councillor Dave Bulmer, who represents the area, had asked for the application to be discussed by the council because of the implications it might have on the future development and expansion of key Chard employer Numatic International.

A report said that officials at Numatic – the manufacturers of the famous Henry vacuum cleaner – had strongly opposed the application because of the close proximity of the earmarked development site to its own premises.

"Councillors will note that Numatic have written to the council to express their objections to this scheme and to the possible noise complaints that may be made by future residents," said the council report.

But planning officials had told councillors that they did not think that the noise from Numatic would cause a "significant adverse effect" for potential residents.

The report added: "It is fully appreciated that the relationship between Numatic and the proposed residential development is sensitive. The applicant has undertaken a number of noise assessments at the request of the council's officers in order to provide the clearest picture possible as to the likely noise impacts of the development on future occupiers."

"While it is not possible to have a picture of what may happen in regard to operating practices and possible

noise implications in the longer term, the current available evidence would suggest it is not considered that there will be significant adverse effect on residential amenity that warrants a refusal of the application on noise grounds."

Although planning officials had recommended that the council give the application planning permission, councillors were not in agreement.

There was concern that if the housing development went ahead it could pose a significant problem to the future growth and success of Numatic, a key employer for Chard.

A spokesman for the council's economic development team said: "Enabling Numatic to react to the world market and expand in Chard is a high economic development priority for South Somerset District Council."

"Numatic currently employs just under 1,000 people and has a significant positive economic and social impact on Chard and the wider district."

"It would be devastating to Chard and the wider district if Numatic determined the current site was unable to accommodate any future expansion plans."

"Numatic's main concern about the proposed development would be the building houses immediately adjacent to the factory and the potential for creating a noise nuisance. Approving the building of houses on the land is likely to hinder Numatic's development and expansion plans on that section of their site."

Councillors voted against the application because of the potential noise implications, the adverse harm it could have on Numatic International's future development and because the housing plans did not include a play area for the under-fives.

Sue Mountstevens retains seat as Police and Crime Commissioner

INDEPENDENT candidate Sue Mountstevens retained her position as the Police and Crime Commissioner for Avon and Somerset.

But it took two counts last Friday before her victory was confirmed.

No candidate achieved an outright majority, so the two candidates with the highest number of votes cast - Sue Mountstevens and Kerry Barker (Labour) - went forward to stage two of the count.

Sue Mountstevens was declared the victor after second preference votes were taken into account with a total of 118,547 votes.

She said: "Thank you to the residents of Avon and Somerset who once again chose me as your Police and Crime Commissioner, we will keep politics out of policing for another four years."

"Together with Chief Constable Andy Marsh we will fight crime, prevent crime and work with all our communities to continue to make Avon and Somerset a safe place to live and work."

"I will be the voice of residents and victims and continue to do all I can to tackle and prevent crimes against the most vulnerable in society particularly child sexual exploitation and abuse."

"I will continue to be independent, honest and transparent and fulfil the role without fear or favour – and that's my promise."

Chief Constable Andy Marsh said: "I would like to personally congratulate Sue on being re-elected and I look forward to working with her once again."

"We have only worked together for a short time but I know that she is passionate about serving residents, improving services for victims and driving improvements in the constabulary."

Tributes paid after caravan site death

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wilfie love you all the world best man in somerset! Xxxx."

Others also shared kind words about the Somerset family man and consoled Mr Issac's family members in Facebook posts.

Deb Hull wrote: "So sorry Barry about this awful news, your dad Wilfie was a top bloke, my thoughts are with you all xxx"

Sophie Kieran Phillips added: "Amazing kind hearted man rip wilfie .. Xx"

Det Supt Andy Bevan added: "We would like to reassure local communities that this was a domestic incident, contained to one site. All those involved were known to each other."

If you can help the police inquiry, please call 999 and quote log 1051 of May 5th.

Police appeal after theft from Boots



POLICE are appealing for the public's help to identify the woman pictured above.

The police are hoping to speak to the woman in connection with a high value theft of tanning items from Boots in Crewkerne last month.

A woman, who entered the store at about 5.25pm on Wednesday, March 9th left the store shortly afterwards without paying for a range of items from the self-tanning section.

A police spokesperson said: "We believe the woman in the image may be able to help our enquiries. We are asking her, or anyone recognising her, to contact police at Crewkerne on 101, quoting reference 5216051215."



New kit for Merriott Sharks

■ FOOTBALLERS in Merriott Sharks U9s are finishing off the season in a brand new kit sponsored by Stokes Partners LLP in Crewkerne. The team is part of Yeovil & District League, and manager Kelvin Charles said: "It is greatly appreciated, kits are not cheap. The kids helped pick it." Joanne Butler of Stokes Partners LLP said: "We are delighted to sponsor them and hope the kit will give them good luck."



Avishayes Archers take home knock-out plate

THE Chard-based Avishayes Archers took home the Under 9s Knock-Out Plate from the Yeovil & District FA Mini Soccer League after winning the final.

The competition was held in Somerton on April 30th, where the Avishayes Archers and Combe Youth Football Club played against Wincanton

Town.

The Avishayes Archers came back from 1-0 down to win 3-1 thanks to great team work and determination by all the players.

Coach Claire Weller and assistant Robert Hounsell said: "We were very proud of the children's efforts. It was a great day."

If you have a story for South Somerset call Anders Larsson on 01297 446142 or email anders@viewnews.co.uk

Medical centre friends report successful year

THE Friends of Essex House Medical Centre in Chard have had a very successful year.

Secretary Rose Kneil said: "We have purchased items or donated money to the surgery this year totaling a magnificent £8,232.71.

"We are very grateful to all the people who have supported us and made this possible. We could not do it without you.

"We have sadly had to say goodbye to our treasurer of eight years, Carol Ward. The committee would like to thank her very much.

"We are looking for a new treasurer and new committee members."

Into the new financial year, two recent stalls made a total of £93 in profit. Another stall was held over the weekend.

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New Projects for South Somerset Mind

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The charity also announced that it has secured funding for another exciting project, starting in June, working in partnership with Yarlington

Housing Group's Inspired to Achieve programme which seeks to empower residents on the edge of employment. This will complement South Somerset Mind's Yeovil Community Day on Wednesdays, when around twenty Yeovil residents meet at the Methodist Church to work together to support each other's mental health. The Battens Charitable Trust has kindly donated £250 towards this important work.

Another group, the Vanessa Gardening Project is one of South Somerset Mind's longest running. The gardening, at Chelston Avenue allotments in Yeovil, will also now continue after funding was received from the Swan Mountain Trust, the Somerset Community

Foundation and the Battens Charitable Trust. Bradford's Building Supplies have also shown their support by donating a new shed, providing a shelter for the group on rainy days and allowing them to store their tools securely. Construction of the shed was kindly undertaken by the Yeovil Rotary Club.

With a new Chief Executive and a new fundraising team, the charity is moving from strength to strength, with new projects supporting over 1500 people a year. If you would like to find out more information or go along to one of their groups, you can visit their website www.southsomersetmind.co.uk or call 01935 474875.



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- Yeovil - St Mark's Hall (BA21 4PU) | every Tuesday, 11am-2pm
- Crewkerne - Henhayes Centre (TA18 8DA) | every Thursday, 2pm-5pm
- Frome - Medical Centre (BA11 2FH) | every Tuesday 2pm-5pm
- Shepton Mallet - Community Hospital (BA4 4PG) | every Friday, 10am-1pm
- Glastonbury - Red Brick Building (BA6 9FT) | every Friday, 2pm-5pm

Our other support projects:

- Yeovil - Gardening Project, St Mark's Hall (BA21 4PU) | every Tuesday, 11-1
- Yeovil - Community Day Drop-in Group, Methodist Church (BA28 1JZ) every Wednesday 9:30am - 3:30pm
- Somerset - Young Carers - in schools | please contact Somerset Direct

"Just come along! No appointment needed."

For more information visit: www.southsomersetmind.co.uk or call 01935 474875.



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Chard honours outstanding citizens

THREE men who have made a difference to community life have been presented with the annual Outstanding Citizen's Award for Chard.

The Mayor, Councillor Dave Bulmer, presented the awards during last Tuesday's annual parish meeting at the Guildhall in Chard.

David Ricketts, John Gudge and Brian Rockett all received the award for the contributions to Chard life.

Mr Ricketts received the award in recognition of his work with various local

groups – most notably at the Chard and District Museum in High Street where he joined as a volunteer in 2008 and became a trustee and deputy chairman in 2010 before taking on the chairman's role from 2011 to 15.

"I am indebted to all the volunteers and the people who have donated to the museum to keep it going for the past 46 years," he said.

Mr Gudge received the award for his charity work and his long service as chairman with the Chard branch of the

Royal British Legion.

He dedicated the award to his late wife Rose, who died on May 4th last year at Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton.

"Wherever I went or whatever I did she was there with me," he said.

"I'd like to dedicate this award to my wife as it's a year since she went and joined the Lord."

Mr Rockett received his award in recognition of his many years of service with the Chard and District Darts League since first arriving in the town in 1974.

But he told the audience: "I won't bore you with a long speech because I don't believe in blowing my own trumpet.

"And after listening to the two previous recipients of this award and what they've done I feel like a bit of a fraud to be honest."

As well as the presentations of the award there were also grants made by Chard Town Council to various groups and donations to the mayor's charities.

A total of £7,500 in grants was handed out to the Rotary Club of Chard, Midwives @StMarys, Eclipse Carnival Club, Chard Town Team, Chard Amateur Theatre Society, the Women's Community Forum, Chard History Group and Project Romania.

The mayor presented cheques each worth £1,527.55 to St Margaret's Somerset Hospice and Macmillan Cancer Support.



■ **DAVID Ricketts (second left) receives the Outstanding Citizen's Award from Mayor Dave Bulmer, pictured with Chard town clerk Zoe Truong and Councillor Amanda Broom, who read out Mr Ricketts' nomination**
Photos by **CHRISTINE JONES**



■ **John Gudge (centre) receives the Outstanding Citizen's Award from Mayor Dave Bulmer and town clerk Zoe Truong**



■ **BRIAN Rockett (second left) receives the Outstanding Citizen's Award from Mayor Dave Bulmer, pictured with Councillor Jenny Orchard, who read out Mr Rockett's nomination, and town clerk Zoe Truong**

ADVERTISER'S ANNOUNCEMENT



Devon County Show 2016

THE Devon County Show on May 19-21 at Westpoint, Exeter will be treating visitors to the best of food, farming and entertainment all in one day.

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Fans of Strictly or wildlife photography will be in for a treat at the BBC exhibition and there will be classes galore from sheep shearing to equestrian competitions, beekeeping, poultry and pigeons, and even wedding cakes made of cheese.

There will be activities especially for youngsters and families including a Children's Farm supported by Farm Wise Devon and the 'Wheelie Wild' family trail.

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Holyrood Academy hosts opera

HOLYROOD Academy in Chard recently hosted a spectacular opera in conjunction with the award-winning Jackdaws OperaPLUS professional touring company.

As part of their innovative education initiative, Jackdaws invite local schools to participate in their performances and in Chard's case, this was a production of Gaetano Donizetti's "The Love Potion", a comic tale of unrequited love set in the heart of Somerset.

Pupils from Combe, Manor Court, Redstart and Tatworth joined Holyrood students over the course of a few weeks to rehearse for the performances staged on April 21st and 22nd.


Mr Trevor Lloyd Jones, Holyrood's Choirmaster, said: "This was a truly unique experience for the children – not only was it a lot of fun to be part of but also very educational.

"The Jackdaws actors were brilliant performers



and engaged with their temporary cast members exceptionally well, extracting some superb acting as well as singing on both nights!

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"Space seeds' at Chard School



■ YEAR 3 and 4 pupils at Chard School enjoyed educational trip to the Wildside Experience, exploring the woods and swamps of the Blackdown Hills near Dunkeswell and camping out in teepees. They were kept busy until near-on midnight calling in the owls, participating in night trails, listening for and spotting bats and following the glow-sticks around the woods. During the daytime they played outdoor games, both in the woods and in the field, had archery sessions and learnt orienteering. Deputy head Mr Lucas said: "Well done to all the children for coping so well with some challenging weather conditions and being so enthusiastic. We all had a great time."



CHARD School pupils planted rocket seeds as part of a nationwide research project with astronaut Tim Peake to see how gravity affects seeds.

In September, 2kg of rocket seeds were flown to the International Space Station on Soyuz 44S where they spent several months in microgravity before returning to Earth in March 2016.

The "space seeds" were planted alongside seeds that haven't been to space and will be monitored over the coming weeks.

A Chard School spokesperson said: "Pupils won't know which were which until all results have been collected and analysed.

"The experiment allows pupils to embark on a voyage of discovery to see what growing plants in space can teach us about life on Earth and whether we can sustain human life in space through the production of our own food.

"Chard School will be invited to input their results into a national online database so that results can be compared across all schools in the UK.

"The project is aimed at inspiring pupils to think scientifically and helping them to see the potential of future careers in STEM (science, technology, engineering, maths) and horticulture."



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Mayor on twinning trip to Romania

The Mayor of Chard, Councillor Dave Bulmer, has returned from an official visit to Seica Mare in Romania, which has been twinned with Chard for the past eight years.

Councillor Bulmer was invited by Dawn and Andy Fletcher of charity Project Romania.

A spokesperson for Chard Town Council said: "This gave the mayor an opportunity to see for himself the hard work that they have been putting into the community through their charity over the past 25 years and was an invitation he gladly accepted.

"One of the main aims of the trip was to showcase the Rainbow Centre of Hope in Buia, one of the poorest communities in the area which, thanks to Project Romania, has been tirelessly refurbished by English volunteers to create a centre for young people."

The centre has not yet been finished, and Project Romania is in desperate need of funds to renew the lease and continue its development as a key organisation in the

community.

For the mayor, mayoress and the mayor's chaplain, Father Jeff, the official visit to Seica Mare was busy from the first instant, attending several official engagements on each of the six days, encouraging links between the two communities and forging lifelong alliances.

The mayor's first engagement was to plant an oak tree at the centre to commemorate the Queen's 90th birthday. The Mayor of Seica Mare, Nicolae Susa, stated that the oak tree was a "testament to the lasting friendship between the two communities".

This was followed by a tour of the area and a meal with a selection of local councillors and a local businessman at the centre, where the local press was keen to interview him.

Having met the Seica Mare Council on Sunday, the party were guests of honour at a concert where the local children danced in traditional costume, and the mayor, mayoress and Father Jeff were all very impressed with their talent.

Monday brought a very early start for the mayor and his party as they visited the poorest village and the baker for the Bread4Buia programme, which distributes free bread amongst the poorest villages in the area.

After meeting the baker, the mayor and his party went on to visit the schools to see the freshly-made bread being delivered and enjoyed amongst the children.

The town council spokesperson said: "Following this the mayoral party were shown an exceptionally poor area where they saw the desperate need existing in parts of the community and, when meeting the local people, Andy and Dawn of Project Romania tell us that 'on each occasion they interacted so well with the children- especially when they were mobbed for sweets by the poorer families'.

"On the Tuesday the mayoral party was welcomed at the Senior School in the traditional manner with bread and salt, and after a grand tour the mayor was able to discuss school exchanges, a possibility close to the heart of the headteacher."

Members of the Romania Project described the mayor's visit as a "resounding success" and added: "We want to thank Chard Town Council very much for supporting this visit - it will have long lasting effects and many will benefit."



■ **COMMEMORATION:** Chard Mayor Dave Bulmer and Seica Mare Mayor Nicolae Susa at the tree planting



■ **PLAY TIME:** The mayor plays a game with Romanian children and, below, local transport could be very basic



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CLOKS impress in anniversary shows

CHARD Local Kids Society for Music and Drama's (CLOKS) double bill of tenth anniversary concerts was a roaring success.

The two concerts – on Friday, April 29th and Saturday, April 30th in Chard Guildhall – included both current and previous cast members and at least one number from each major show performed by CLOKS over the 10 years.

CLOKS leader Gloria Johnson said: "The shows were brilliant, with lots of positive comments from people after the show. Maria [Farey] really does bring out the best in these talented young people.

One comment said: "My favourite song, 'Match-maker', was performed so beautifully and with such lovely harmonies and good humour.

"Well done to all CLOKS for an amazing 10-year celebration, you all looked to be enjoying yourselves, congratulations.

show."

The members of CLOKS have also been busy rehearsing for their summer production, "Kiss Card from Walter".

Theme disco raises funds for Moon Walk team

A CHARITY disco at Cricket St Thomas Golf Club earlier this month helped to raise £2,200 for a breast cancer charity.

The 80s-themed disco was arranged by Team Young@Heart of Lorraine Pike, Jo Cridland, Tracey Dyer and Jane Wood who will be taking part in the charity Moon Walk in London on May 14th in aid of breast cancer charity Walk the Walk.

The golf club venue was offered free of charge and the girls would like to thank Steve and Jackie and everyone at Cricket St Thomas GC for their help and support. They would also like to thank Wendy, of Chard Digital Print, for printing and designing the tickets and posters free of charge.

Lorraine added: "Also we would like to thank all the local businesses that donated prizes for the raffle. People have been so generous."

These included Numatic, Wickes of Bridgwater and Yeovil, Richard Carbin, City Plumbing, Styles, Champion Tattoos, Paul Church, Sarah Hodge, Phoenix Hotel, Bath House, Wetherspoons, All Technique, Tracey Gidley, Complete Meats, Barleymows, Razooks, Bonners Butchers, Hornsbury Mill, Co-op, AA Pike Construction, Foto Finish, Martins of Chard, Mike Hill Plumbing, C A Dyer, Central Motors, The Munch Box, Donyatt Bowling Club, Best Wishes and Carolyn Woodward.

"Most of all we'd like to thank all that supported this

charity night by coming along and enjoying themselves," added Lorraine.

"We are most amazed at the way the Chard area all came together on this charity night – we are very proud of our community.

"Most importantly to date we have raised a staggering £2,200 for breast cancer – a charity that we are sure has touched us all at one time or another."

The Moon Walk in London will this year be celebrating its 20th anniversary. Chard's very own Team Young@Heart will join thousands of others who will be striding out on a charity walk of either a marathon (26.2-miles) or half-marathon (13.1-miles) distance.

Talk on Sigmund Freud for Chard History Group

DAVID Croman will give an illustrated talk about Sigmund Freud at Chard History Group's meeting on Friday, May 13th at Manor Court School, Duck Lane.

A group spokesperson said: "Freud's writings and therapy are based on views about the human mind that are extraordinarily influential, yet remain challenging and controversial even today.

"He set the basis for talking therapies and provided a new and startling view of the human mind and human behaviour that has had wide influence across the world, in many fields.

"The key period of his extraordinary life will be covered and a clear outline given of his views of the human psyche, human emotion, drives and sexuality."

The meeting will start at 7.30pm. Visitors are welcome, and the raffle is for a £10 Tesco gift card.

Council offers funds for community facilities

IMPORTANT community facilities in Chard have been given funding to continue operating over the next year.

The Crowshute Centre Ltd has been awarded a £1,000 grant by Chard Town Council for 2016–17. A similar amount has been awarded to the Chard & District Museum.

Councillors also agreed to award £5,000 to the Chard Area Youth Committee.

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Town criers compete in Ilminster



■ PRIZE DRAW: Ken Purchase and Tony Walker conduct the raffle

By Anders Larsson
anders@viewnews.co.uk

CHARD'S Stuart Cumming claimed the bronze medal at Ilminster Town Crier Competition on Saturday, May 7th.

The top places went to Christian Ashdown of Haslemere in first place and David Turner of Tavistock in the second spot.

Mike Bishop of Frome was judged to be the best dressed crier and Joan Dauncey was the best dressed escort.

The event was hosted by Ilminster town crier Andrew Fox and his escort, Julie Fox.

Mr Fox praised all competitors and everyone who supported the event, including a number of local traders.



■ HOSTING: Andrew Fox and his escort Julie Fox



■ DRESSED TO IMPRESS: The competitors assemble before the competition gets underway and, right, they settle down to listen to each other's cries



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■ PICTURED clockwise from left – Yeovil town crier Bruce Trigger; the competitors assemble in Ilminster; Crewkerne town crier David Craner; and Chard town crier Stuart Cumming came third place in the competition



Instruments stolen from teacher's car

A MUSIC teacher has been left devastated after much-loved musical instruments were stolen from her car.

Catherine Grice, of Ilminster, who teaches music at a number of schools in Somerset, arrived at work on Thursday, May 5th and discovered that a flute had gone missing from her car.

She then went to get a clarinet from the boot of her car and found that had gone as well.

Catherine returned to her home Fairfields in Ilminster and found that teaching books that had also been in her car had been found in a pile in a neighbour's drive.

"This must have happened overnight or this morning," she said just hours after discovering the theft.

"My dad bought me the flute which is also engraved. I have played it in exams, concerts, recitals, at friends' weddings – it is so special.

"My flute has huge sentimental value and I am heartbroken that it has gone. If anyone hears where these instruments are – please get in touch."

Her appeal for help is already being shared far and wide on social media.

Police have been notified of the incident and the incident had been given a crime reference number of 5216096824.

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Church hosts annual May Fete



■ THE Church of St John and All Saints in Kingston, near Ilminster, recently held its annual May Fete. The fete featured a number of stalls including plants, a tombola, cakes and refreshments. Pictured left, five-year-old Molly Lafford and big sister Martha, aged 7, enjoyed the fete. Right, Elizabeth O'Grady and Jo Woodcock on the tombola and, below right, Pippa Sage, Sally Bampton and Elizabeth Britton on the plant stall and Heather Male, Ruth Baker serving cakes.

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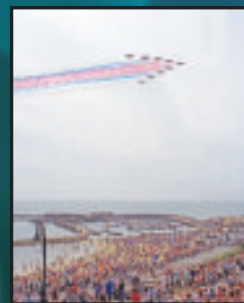
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Cadets compete for Jack Sandy Shield

YOUNG cadets from the Ilminster area were interviewed by members of the local branch of the Royal British Legion in a bid to win the Jack Sandy Shield of Excellence.

Members of the Ilminster Squadron of the Air Training Corps and the Ilminster Platoon of the Army Cadet Force were interviewed earlier this month at the Minster Rooms by a group of panellists who were impressed by the candidates and their CVs.

The cadets were judged by members of the Ilminster branch of the Royal British Legion on their achievements and aspirations for the future and how they presented themselves.

The selection of a winner of the Jack Sandy Shield of Excellence from these cadets was as difficult as ever.

John Robson, past branch chairman and co-ordinator for the last 18 years, said: "The quality of the candidates was remarkable, not only in their achievements within their units, but academically as well."

After careful deliberation the panel declared the winner of the Jack Sandy Shield 2016 to be FS Nicholas Coombs, of the Air Training Corps.

The runner-up candidates were Sgt Daniel Craven and Cdt Jemma Kew, both of the Army Cadet Forces, and Sgt Nicholas Parkinson, of the ATC.

The presentation of the shield and certificates as well as a cheque for £50 to the winner's unit were made on Wednesday, April 27th in the Minster Rooms, Ilminster.

Jack Sandy was born in 1919 and joined the Somerset Light Infantry at the start of the Second World War.

After being demobbed he found he missed the comradeship of his Army friends and so

joined the Royal British Legion. He was branch chairman for many years and was presented with the highest award given by the Legion, the Gold Badge, for loyal service.

Mr Sandy stood down as chairman in 1993 and took up the office of president, which he held until his death in November 1996.

He was known locally as "Mr British Legion" and was much admired and respected by all.

The award has been presented every year since Mr Sandy's death and is seen as a fitting memorial to a man who gave a great deal of his time to both the Ilminster branch of the Royal British Legion and the youth of the town.

■ **PICTURED right, winner of the Jack Sandy Shield 2016, FS Nicholas Coombs (second left) is pictured with (from left) one of the runners-up Sgt Daniel Craven, past branch Ilminster Royal British Legion chairman John Robson, Sgt Nicholas Parkinson, another runner-up, and Squadron Flt Lt Colin Parkinson.**



Headteacher appeals for new school governors

THE headteacher of Swanmead Community School in Ilminster has sent out an urgent SOS as he looks for more people to consider becoming a school governor.

Mark Walker has asked for support in the school's latest newsletter to parents in which he says he hopes they might be able to help Swanmead overcome a "bit of a current issue."

"Over my five years at Swanmead, I have always been lucky enough to be supported and challenged by an excellent team of governors," he said.

"They have been made up of groups of parents and local people that hold me to account for the success of the school and help direct the vision for

the next stages of our development."

But Mr Walker added: "As the school has got more successful and people have got increasingly busier, that team of crucial people have stepped down from their role after doing their bit for the school their children attend."

"Aside from two staff members that also sit on the governing body, this has left the school with just five people to hold me and the school to account."

"This is now beginning to get serious and, with the school currently in a good place, it would be a real tragedy if the school's continued prosperity is cut short due to a lack of parents and community

members becoming involved as governors."

Mr Walker said that a letter to parents he sent out in February asking if anyone would put themselves forward as parent-governors received no uptake.

More information for parents about becoming a governor has been included in the latest school newsletter. But people can also phone the school on 01460 52431 for more details.

"I am really hoping the many highly skilled parents and carers we have in our school community might get in touch and help us make Swanmead the best it can be," added Mr Walker.

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Street party for the Queen

FUNDRAISERS at Neroche Primary School near Ilminster are busy organising a street party at the school later this summer to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday.

The Parent and Family Association is to hold the party on Sunday, June 12th between 11am and 3pm to coincide with the national street party for the Queen at the Mall in London.

The school at Broadway is inviting other community groups in the Ilminster area to join the school for this special celebration, with a range of music, stalls and food having already been arranged.

Headteacher Connel Boyle said: "We have a fantastic opportunity to create a memorable local event that our whole community can be proud of."

"On behalf of Neroche Primary School I would like to invite other community groups and organisations to come and share the day with us."

If any local groups are interested in joining the party, contact PFA chairman Kate Barnes on 01460 52664 or email the school on sch.067@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Crews called to crash in Howley

FIREFIGHTERS were called out early on Sunday, May 8th to deal with a crash on the outskirts of Chard.

The alarm was raised at just before 2.45am to the incident on Howley Road, Howley, and fire engines from Chard and Axminster were mobilised.

Crews found a vehicle had rolled on to its side with one casualty still within the vehicle.

"We got to work to release the casualty and gave them first aid," said a spokesman for the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service.

"We made the vehicle and scene safe."

Guides recruiting new members

CHARD Guides are recruiting new members to join the group.

Potential new members – girls aged between ten and 13 – are invited to the Manor Court Scout Hut in Chard and find out more on Tuesday, May 17th between 7.30pm and 9pm.

For more details email Charlotte Rogers at chardguides@hotmail.com



Carnival announces royal party

THE countdown to Chard Carnival 2016 got underway last week when the real stars of the show were unveiled.

Gaby Morris, Romy Simmons and Annabelle Smith will be at the head of the procession on Saturday, October 8th as Carnival Princesses, and will be joined by George Smith as Carnival Prince.

They will now be fundraising for the carnival and helping the organising committee to raise awareness of the colourful night, which helps to bring in thousands of pounds each year for charities.

Chard Carnival chairman Jason Baker welcomed the new carnival royalty ahead of the committee's meeting at the Lordleaze Hotel in Chard on Thursday, May 5th and posed for photos with vice-chairman Doreen Toms and Claire Brown, who will be looking after the young princesses and prince during the year ahead.

The committee then settled down for its meeting where plans were discussed for this year's procession.

Only a few months ago there were real concerns that Carnival in Chard was in jeopardy due to a number of members stepping down from the committee and fears that replacements might not have been found.

■ PICTURED right, Chard Carnival Committee chairman Jason Baker with vice-chairman Doreen Toms and Claire Brown, who is in charge of the carnival royalty with Carnival Prince George Smith and Carnival Princesses Annabelle Smith, Gaby Morris and Romy Simmons. Photo by Christine Jones



A CARE home in Ilminster has been honoured for the way it provides an excellent service to individuals.

Hazelwell Lodge in Station Road, Ilminster, won the 2016 Care Organisation category for the second time in the Care Focus South West Care Awards, on Friday, April 22nd.

Staff from the home, which specialises in dementia and mental health care, took to the stage at a 400-guest, candlelit Wellsprings Leisure Centre in Taunton to collect their award.

The team at Hazelwell is no stranger to collecting awards as over the last four years the home has picked up titles such as Quality Dementia, Excellence in Leadership and Dignity in Care.

Hazelwell Lodge manager, Claire Kingdon, said: "We are over the moon for winning the award. It is great that the work we do has been recognised at the standard we strive and aim for."

"We are proud of the achievements that we have made at Hazelwell over the years and are very grateful to all those that supported us."

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New affordable homes open in former Working Men's Club

FIVE new, affordable rental apartments for local people have been officially opened in the old landmark Working Men's Club in Chard town centre.

Members of the community, South Somerset District Council and other guests, joined the affordable housing provider Stonewater to mark the event with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The derelict 19th century building in Fore Street, which had been deteriorating for several years, has been transformed into one two-bedroom and four one-bedroom apartments for affordable rent.

Stonewater has carried out the conversion of the old building in partnership with South Somerset District Council and construction partners Titan Group.

The iconic frontage of the Victorian former club has been carefully restored and its interior completely refurbished and renovated.

Hallways in the building have been decorated with old photographs of the building and the high street that were provided by Chard Museum, printed on large acoustic panels.

Stonewater has also donated the club's old signage and flagpole to the museum to preserve the original history of the building.

The new apartments' prime location means that residents have local shops on their doorstep and views of other town landmarks including the Grade I listed, 11th century Church of St Mary the Virgin.

"This conversion is a great example of how redundant buildings in our rural town centres can be transformed into vibrant and affordable places for local people to live," said Richard Stevenson, Stonewater's executive director of development.

"Not only do they help to address the shortage of affordable housing in the community, but they also help regenerate and breathe new life into the high street, boosting local trade, services and businesses."

A further four houses are due to be built at the rear of the building which will provide more affordable



■ **OFFICIALLY OPEN:** Resident Wayne Bell (centre) with Richard Stevenson (left), of Stonewater, and Councillor Ric Pallister, leader of South Somerset District Council

housing in the town centre.

Stonewater's conversion of the Working Men's Club follows its recent completion of 56 homes for affordable rent and shared ownership in Great Western Road, and ten new homes for affordable rent in Millfield, Chard.

Stonewater currently owns and manages around 900 properties in South Somerset with approximately 100 under development.

There are currently 269 new affordable homes in the pipeline to be built in South Somerset.

"There was a growing disbelief in Chard that we would ever see this important building renovated as the years passed and this decaying eyesore blighted the main approach to the town. Stonewater rose to that challenge and

now the transformation is complete," said Councillor Ric Pallister, leader of South Somerset District Council.

"Not only has the project made a major contribution to the regeneration of the High Street, it has created some stunning, unusual and much needed apartments close to the town centre and major employers.

"From the inside those apartments I have got the immediate, 'I could live here' feel and I am immensely proud of what Stonewater, working in partnership with the Council has achieved."

Completed as part of the Empty Homes Programme, the renovation was financed by grant funding from the Homes and Communities Agency and South Somerset District Council.



A SERVING Royal Navy Petty Officer based at RNAS Yeovilton is to represent the UK at the Invictus Games.

PO Sean Gaffney, 44, currently serving at Yeovilton, has a below-the-knee left leg amputation from an injury in service in 1999.

Sean will compete in eight events in the Games to be held in Orlando this week amongst 110 military veterans and serving military personnel.

The Paralympics-style games were first staged two years ago and Prince Harry is the Patron of the Invictus Games Foundation.

Sean's eight events consist of two indoor rowing events, bench press, shot put, 400M sprint, discus and two road cycling events.

Sean (pictured above) said: "I am very competitive and don't allow my lower leg amputation to get in

the way of my everyday working life in the Royal Navy life or my love of sport.

"I have added cycling to my events this year after purchasing bike only days before the trials for the games were being held. Luckily I qualified and I'm looking forward to this opportunity to show everyone what we can achieve beyond injury.

"My strongest event is the rowing and I will definitely be 'Going for Gold' in Orlando!"

The Invictus Games 2016 are being held in Orlando, Florida, at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex from May 8th to 12th and everyone at RNAS Yeovilton wish Sean and Team UK good luck.

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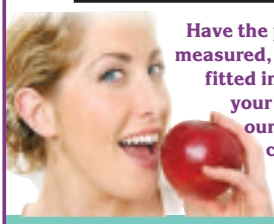
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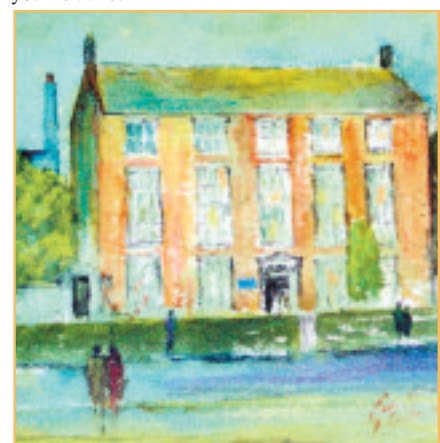
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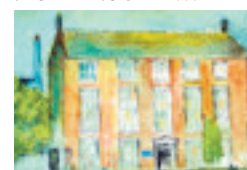
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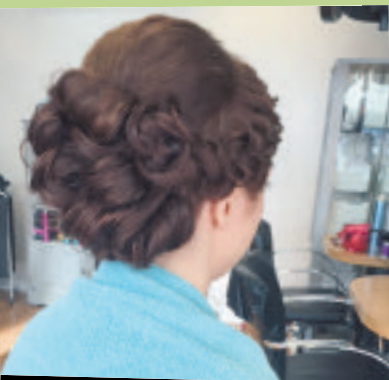
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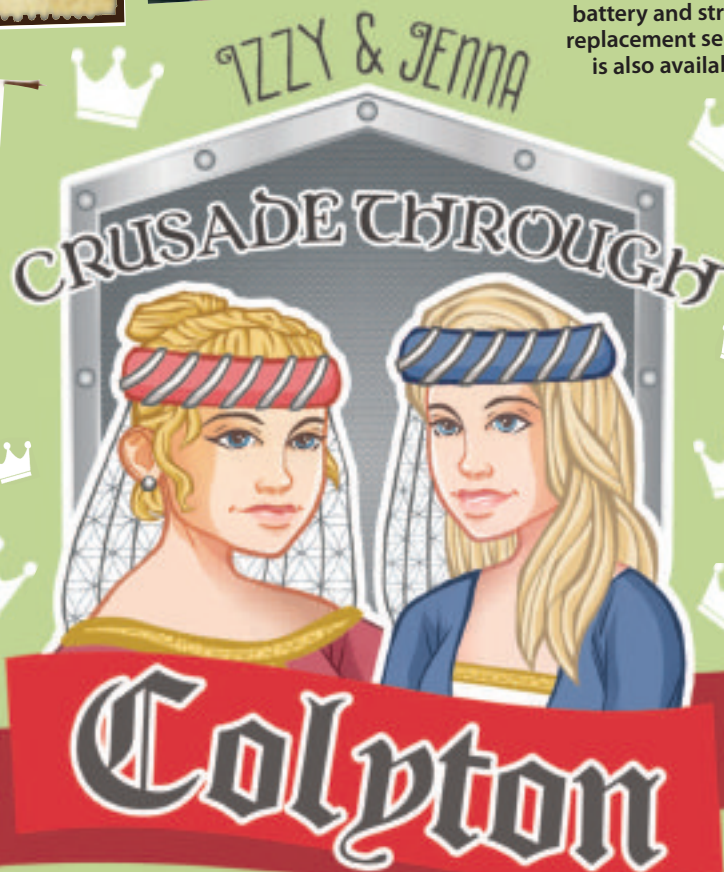
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THE Colyton Kitchen Company offers quality complete fitted and bespoke kitchens to suit all style tastes and budgets. We offer a wide range of kitchens to suit any layout or size of property. Our kitchens are supplied by one of the UK's leading kitchen furniture manufacturers, guaranteeing the very best in quality and service, and we offer up to a 10-year manufacturer's guarantee on kitchen cabinets. Have a browse on our website www.thecolytonkitchencompany.co.uk to view our inspirational collection of contemporary, classic and traditional kitchens, and if you like what you see, please visit our showroom to see them first hand on display. We guarantee we'll provide you with an exceptional kitchen buying experience that

will rival any big brand superstore. We're a family run business, covering Devon, Somerset and Dorset and surrounding areas within the Devonshire County. The beautiful

kitchens we offer are testament of the superior quality of service and installation, so much so, our customers recommended us to friends and family time and time again. Owners Paul and Claire Sammons have 15 years of combined experience and following an apprenticeship, Paul has always worked in the kitchen furniture industry both for kitchen companies and on his own, designing and installing.



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The Garden Shop & Cafe

THE Garden Shop in Colyton has undergone a complete transformation this winter with a brand new plant area built outside. In the spirit of sustainability and recycling we chose to build out of wooden pallets and timber from the Duchy of Cornwall creating a totally unique display. It was then painted in a range of bright colours. The result is a bright and cheerful area to display our plants, and also for our café customers to enjoy their refreshments among the flowers. We are truly 'an oasis of calm in a sea of chaos'!

With plenty of free parking The Garden Shop offers a complete destination shopping experience. Apart from all the wonderful (and locally sourced) flowers, shrubs, bedding and roses, we have a gift area, greeting cards, garden tools, seeds, bird food and sundries, pest control (organic and chemical), fertilisers, composts, a great range of Italian pots, and our Café. The Café serves some of the best coffee in the area, complemented with breakfasts, light lunches, snacks, and our fabulous cakes! Our friendly staff look forward to welcoming you, and are always ready to offer help or advice. Please ask for assistance if required. During the summer we shall be arranging more of our popular musical events, the first of which takes place on June 11th to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday. We shall be having a tea party and live music from 2.00pm until 4.00pm.

Watch out in the local press for later dates through the summer months.



chocolat et present



CHOCOLAT ET PRESENT is a definite must to visit when in Colyton. You will certainly be impressed with the selection and choice of products for sale. To start with, there is a stunning chocolate cabinet filled with over 60 hand made and finished chocolates. You can make your own selection or there are boxes already made up. Solid chocolate animals, premium chocolate bars, marzipan, ginger, turkish delight, mints adorn the shelves. A range for diabetic and food intolerant, including dairy and gluten free, of chocolates and biscuits are stocked. A range of stylish tins - Aga, racing car, cat, flower - are filled with chocolates and make a great present. On the other side of the shop, fashion accessories - jewellery, hats, scarves, sun glasses, handbags - scented candles; hand made soaps; ornaments; wall hangings; cushions; trinket jars and so the selection goes on for that perfect present. Themed gifts - cycling, fishing, gardening, football - are stocked as well.

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CRW Accountants



CHRISTOPHER R. Way BA, Msc, AIA, ICPA, Dip.Bus, Principal Director of Colyton's CRW Accountants Ltd, commenced his practice in Branscombe 30 years ago and moved to Colyton in 1989.

Q. Why did you move your Firm to Colyton? A. I discovered Colyton on a cycle ride and after several more visits by cycle I experienced a sense of real community and co-operation within the community here and decided to move my business here in 1989.

Q. How many people work at the Firm? A. Our full capacity is six and we also have built up a solid network of consultants and other professional contacts whose experience we can draw upon to benefit our clients.

Q. Where are your Clients based? A. Throughout the South-West with a majority within 30 miles of Colyton, although we do have some Global Clients.

Q. What is your Firm's ethos? A. We aim to take full responsibility for our Clients work assignments and provide a "no worry" professional service at reasonable costs on a personal basis.

Q. What are the long term plans for the Firm? A. We have an established team here and I am supported by my Firm's Taxation Director and, also Co-owner, Hayley Perham together with our Accounting Services Director Aggie Jarych whom plan to continue to provide the consistent service in the future which has been provided over many years.

Q. Can you provide some illustrative Client types. A. We provide services to all sorts of owner-managed businesses (pubs, shops, farms, builders, developers, consultants and advisors), whether they are sole traderships, partnerships or Limited Companies as well as private Tax Clients. We also offer a full range of other support services including payroll, VAT, Book keeping, auto enrolment and digital services.

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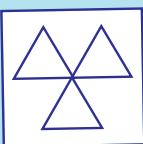
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Jerry (MIMI) has 40+ years experience and has an extensive knowledge of repairing classic cars. His son Andrew has gained his apprenticeship at a Ford dealership and has specialized knowledge of modern diagnostic techniques. Colyton Garage like to earn their customers trust because personal recommendation and happy customers are an important part of the company. Colyton Garage has become well known for their Classic (especially Mini) and Specialist (Kit) car repairs and have won awards for their classic restorations. Offering an extensive range of services, Colyton Garage is the place to go for all your cars needs.



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The store opening hours are:

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and 2.00pm - 6.00pm
Sat: 9.00am - 1.00pm
Sun: Closed

Colyton Pharmacy Ltd

COLYTON PHARMACY are an independent, family run, Pharmacy having been managed by Kevin Budden for over 20 years, with his brother Steve joining him three years ago. This is a Full Time business with two Pharmacists on board allowing the team to run extra professional services and increase patient access to Pharmacy advice and care. Due to being an independent Pharmacy, the team are flexible to change, proactive in their outlook and reactive to all patients' requirements and changes in the pharmacy landscape.

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Icing Occasions

ICING Occasions is a leading bespoke cake company based in Colyton Devon. Founded in the late 90's as a part time passion for cooking, it is growing every year and the company is headed by cake designer and sole owner Cathryn Andrews, who spent years training and learning all aspects of Sugarcraft and Celebration cakes this includes buffets for weddings, Birthdays and funerals. Customer satisfaction is key to Cathryn's success. Cathryn is passionate about creating works of art for special occasions, renowned for irresistibly pretty and elegant designs that enthral the taste buds and enchant the eye. Cathryn caters for people with Allergies to Dairy, Gluten, Wheat and also Diabetic's. Icing Occasions was a Regional Finalist for The Wedding Industry Awards 2015. The Colyton shop also stocks a vast range of cake decorating equipment, and hires out cake stands and tins for budding bakers. There is also a baking book "library", from which customers will be able to borrow baking books for a donation to Cathryn's chosen charity, the Hughes Syndrome Foundation. Cathryn is keen to get the local community as involved as possible and opens up her kitchen for children's "bake-off" birthday parties, an after school club and sugar craft and modeling workshops. Cathryn is also keen to involve local groups such as the WI and schools. The shop is currently open 3pm to 8pm Monday to Friday, 7am to 4pm on Saturdays and by appointment on Sundays. For more information, search 'Icing Occasions' on Facebook, call 01297 598240, or email cath.andrews@icingoccasions.co.uk

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The Kingfisher Inn

The greedy march of chain pubs with their soul-less interiors, cheap beer, loud customers and microwave meals has done more to ruin the old English inn than Hitler's Luftwaffe achieved, but thankfully a few proper old taverns still exist – and The Kingfisher in Colyton is among the best of them. The visitor looking for an unspoilt, traditional Devon pub where the hospitality is hearty need look no further than this 16th Century inn, easily found in the centre of the town. It's exactly like an old pub should be – traditional roasts on Sundays, meat raffles in the bar every Saturday, CAMRA-rated honest local ales, a beautiful beer garden and a rare place where you can still play skittles, darts and crib. The Kingfisher is also the friendly home to great British pub grub – fish and chips that are said to be the best in the area, steak and kidney pie, chicken and leek pie, whitebait, stuffed mushrooms, baked salmon, sirloin steak, scampi, egg and chips and raspberry and apple pie are among the choices that are all freshly-homemade and come in large portions. It is a popular spot with walkers and rave reviews of the welcome at The

Kingfisher have come from as far as California. Typical is the thumbs-up from a recent visitor from Birmingham, who wrote: 'It's been a long time since we enjoyed a simple, well-cooked pub meal and this pub does the job. We had scampi, chips, peas and salad and ham, egg, chips and peas and our meals were thoroughly enjoyable. The food was well presented – no attempts to be a gastropub or anything fancy, just good, wholesome pub grub. We cleared our plates and we just wish that this pub was our local! We will definitely be back.' A great find, a little Devon treasure and highly-recommended by all its patrons.



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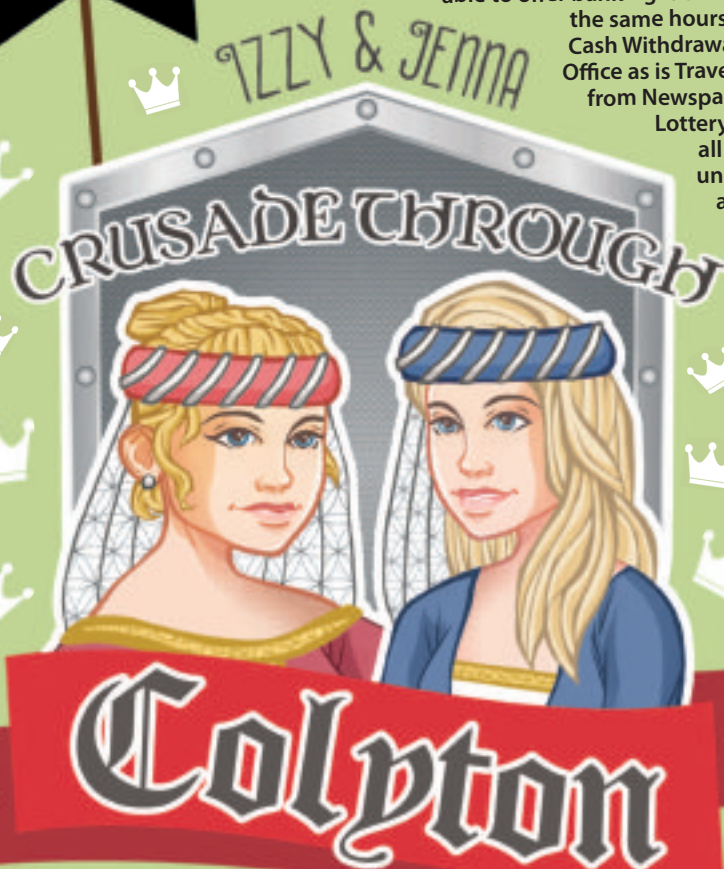
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Colyford Goose Fayre - 24th September

Procession 2:30pm Colyford Road EX24 6QU - Medieval costumes, mummers play, food and games. A very popular and historic event

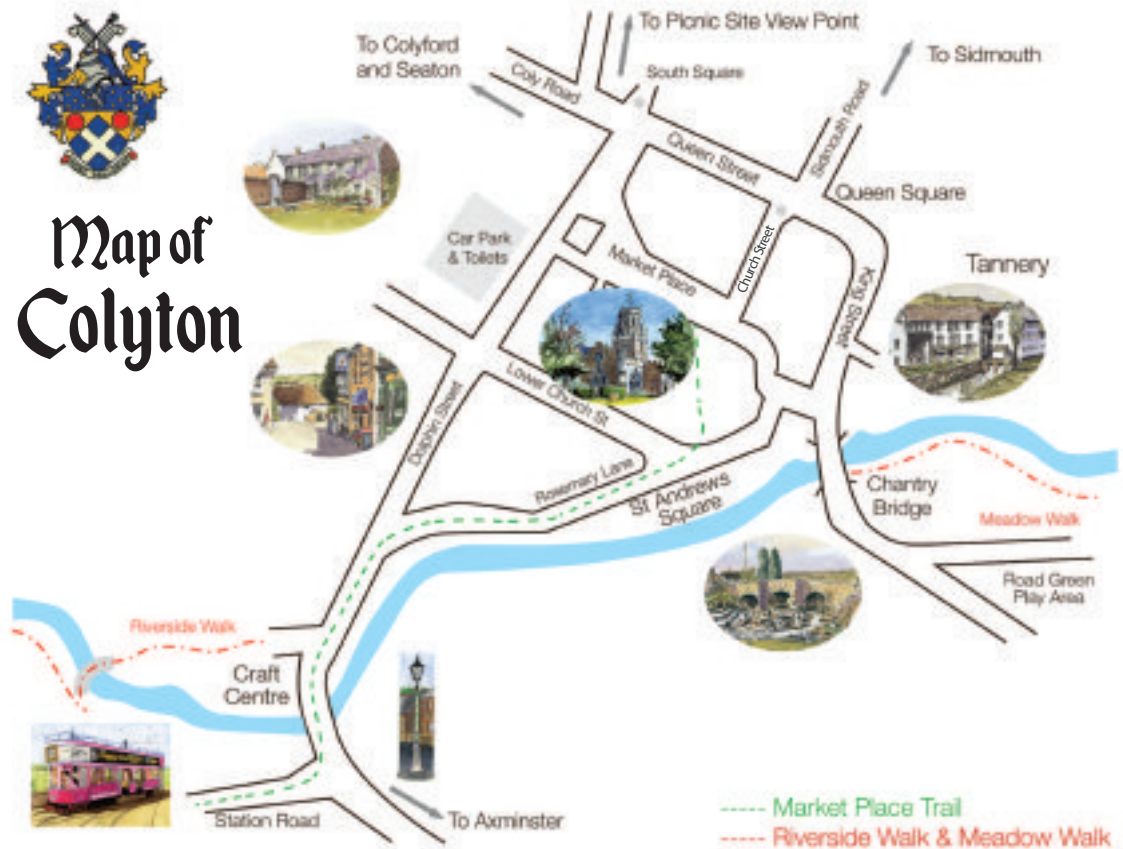


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Map of Colyton



----- Market Place Trail

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Bluebird & Buttercup

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BD Garden & Pet Supplies

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The shop stocks all genres of books, many of which are first or second editions of timeless classics. Carole-Ann currently has in stock a 7th edition of the popular children's classic "Peter and Wendy", an original of the Peter Pan series of books, perfect for any collector or to be passed down to future generations!

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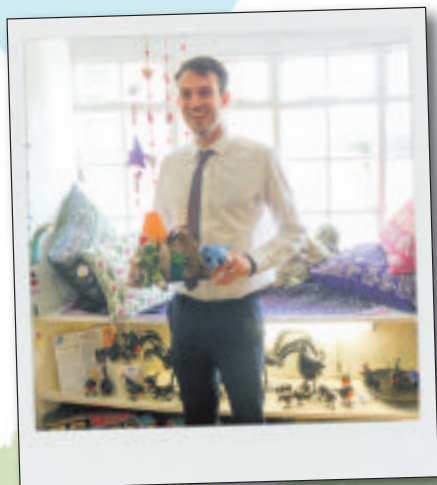
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One World

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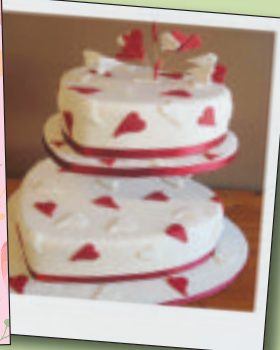
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Sam Duckworth, formerly known as Get Cape Wear Cape Fly talks his reinvention as 'Recreations' ahead of Exeter show
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Final concert of this year's Honiton Festival *page 36*



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Classic Cars, Summer Fair and Dog Show *page 36*



Diary Dates

UNTIL TUESDAY JUNE 28TH

AXMOUTH: Woollen Woods Art Installation in the Community Woodland Orchard, Combe Farm, Axmouth EX12 3DU. The 'Woollen Woods' is a fun way to bring craft and nature together and is part of an annual UK wide celebration each May organised by Voluntary Arts Week. You can come and visit our display in the Woodland Orchard any time through the signed gate off Higher Lane in Axmouth. Family Activity sheets will be available in the shelter.

TUESDAY MAY 10TH

SIDMOUTH: St Francis Tea Dance for Childrens Hospice South West. 2.30pm. 2nd Tuesday of the month. 01395 577122.

AXMINSTER: Cooking For One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families), 10.30-12.30. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the HALFF Food Hub, South Street, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Laura on 01297 631782 for more information or email laura@halff.org.uk.

HONITON: "The Cult of the South Pacific - from Cook to Gauguin". This Honiton Decorative and Fine Arts Society talk charts the impact, through painted images, of the discovery of Tahiti in 1767 and the enduring western obsession with the so called 'exotic' or 'noble savage'. At The Beehive, Dowell St. Honiton EX14 1LZ, at 2pm. Non members welcome - £6 donation suggested. No booking required. For further information see www.honiton-dfas.org.uk or phone 01404 548 113.

AXMINSTER: Coffee Morning visit the newly opened Axminster Heritage Centre. Enjoy delicious refreshments with a raffle and cake stall. 10-12.00

ILMINSTER: Ile Valley Flower Club open night present Beryl Griffiths from Longhope Glos demonstrating Colourful Creations at The Warehouse Theatre in Iminster. 7.30pm start doors open 6.30pm tickets £10 can be purchased from Harrimans in Iminster or from 01460 75025/77233/67419

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £1 per session. For people 70+/80+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged and a cooked meal can be purchased from £3.50. Take-away meals are available.

CREWKERNE: Computer Group at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10am to 12 noon

CREWKERNE: Knitting/sewing group. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for sale in the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

HONITON: Hospiscare Bargain Sale at Mackarness Hall, 9am-12noon. Homemade refreshments served.

WEDNESDAY MAY 11TH

CREWKERNE: Bingo - Cash prizes - "eyes down" at 2.30pm at Henhayes Centre.

THURSDAY MAY 12TH

SIDMOUTH: Market in St John's building, Blackmore Drive, 9-4pm. Variety of stalls, hot and cold food, refreshments available. Free entry.

COLYTON: Guided History Walks around Colyton. Starts 2pm from the town car park, lasting approx 1 hour. £3 per head, under 16s free. Includes visit to the Heritage Centre. Booking not needed, and regardless of weather. For more details call 01297 552514 or 33406, or visit www.colyton-history.co.uk or www.colytonheritagecentre.org

AXMINSTER: Coffee and Chocolate Morning, Church Rooms Axminster, raising funds for the TIC, 9am-12.30pm.

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10am to 11am. £2 for members/ £3 for non-members.

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10am to 11am. £2 for members/ £3 for non-members

SEATON: Seaton Garden Club - Outing to Bowood House, Calne, Wiltshire - Visitors Welcome - Contact Telephone: 01297 24049.

FRIDAY MAY 13TH

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - "Food on Friday", mid-day for 12.30pm start. All ages are welcome; very friendly atmosphere and good food. Please book in advance by phoning 01460 77057. Further details also available on the same number.

KILMINGTON: Devon County Butterfly recorder, Roger Bristow, will talk of the many beautiful butterflies that may visit our gardens and how we can create a habitat to encourage them and help them breed. Kilmington Gardening Club. 7.30pm Kilmington Village Hall, Whitford Road, EX137RF Non members welcome £1.

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SATURDAY MAY 14TH

CHARD: 'We'll Gather Lilacs - whites, pinks and purples' Weekend Dancing with Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. At Chard Guildhall, 8-11pm. Free parking after 6pm in Council car park (Not Lidl's). Pay on the door, £6.

CREWKERNE: Flea Market at the Speedwell Hall, Abbey Street, TA18 7HY. 2 minutes turn left behind the town hall. Free admission. 9am - 1pm - Tea, Coffee & cakes Tables £10.00 please call Peter on 07885 171606. Raising funds for new floor for The Speedwell Hall charity a Crewkerne treasure.

HINTON ST GEORGE: Hinton St. George 'Flax in the Stix' presents 'Brooklyn' (12A) in the Hinton Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50p on the door. To reserve Tickets please contact Bob Kefford on 01460 72563.

SEAVINGTON: Seavington Gardening Club annual plant sale will be held in Seavington Millenium Hall from 10 am - 12 pm. There will be plants of a high quality to include vegetables, perennials and annuals. Refreshments and Raffle.

OTTERY ST MARY: Otter Valley Rotary Club Anniversary Anniversary Concert at Ottery St Mary Parish Church, 7.30pm. Featuring The Military Wives, Exmouth Town Concert Band, and Ottery St Mary Silver Band. Tickets £10. Available from Curious Otter Book Shop (10 Mill St) or A. Dimon & Co (74 High Street, Honiton), or call 01404 813961.

SIDMOUTH: Lions Club of Sidmouth '40th Anniversary Celebration Concert' at 8pm in Manor Pavilion Theatre, Manor Road, EX10 8RP. A gala evening of Music and Song from Stage and Screen, led by Vicki Campbell and special guests. This 'black tie and bubbly' event celebrates 40 years of Sidmouth Lions Club's service to the community. Pre-show canapes served from 7pm. Tickets £12 from Theatre Box Office (01395 514413), open 10 am - 2 pm, Monday to Saturday. All proceeds will go to Sidmouth Lions Club charity activities.

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - Jumble Sale, with tombola, plants, & refreshments, at 2pm. Contributions are most welcome & can be left at the hall from 10am - mid-day. Information from Jackie (01460 72324)

AXMOUTH: Craft & Table Top Sale at Axmouth Village Hall, from 10am. Variety of stalls and light refreshments. Organised by Bizzy Fingers Craft Group supporting "Force" Cancer Charity and St Michael's Church. For more details call 01297 21508.

BEER: Wuriltzer Theatre Organ Show - David Ivory returns to entertain at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer. The show starts at 2pm, admission is £7 at the door, children free, everyone welcome. For further info visit www.beerwuriltzer.org.uk or phone 01297 24892.

EAST CHINNOCK: Concert on flute and harp performed by the Astley Dyo at St Mary's Church, 7.30pm. Tickets priced at £8 are available now from 01935 862221 or 864408. The concert is presented by The Friends of St Mary's, raising funds to maintain the fabric of this historic church building.

DALWOOD: Dalwood Plant and Garden Sale, Dalwood Recreation Field. Variety of plants and garden accessories plus professional advice. Delicious refreshments in a beautiful setting. Proceeds to Dalwood Recreation Trust. For more details call 01404 881760.

HONITON: Hospiscare Plant Sale at Mackarness Hall, 8am-12noon. Variety of plants and related goods. Homemade refreshments served.

SUNDAY MAY 15TH

SIDMOUTH: ShelterBox Tea Dance at Stowford Centre. 2.30pm. Ballroom & Sequence dancing hosted by Jean and David (01395 579856). £3 per dancer, licensed cafe open for light refreshments.

HONITON: Short Mat Bowls. 9.30am weekly. Teaching and playing. Newcomers welcome. At LED Leisure Centre, School Lane (EX14 1QW). For more details call 01404 42325

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Sidmouth Lions 40th Anniversary Celebration Concert

SIDMOUTH LIONS CLUB is putting on a special 40th Anniversary Celebration Concert at 8pm on Saturday, May 14th at Manor Pavilion Theatre.

This will be a gala evening of Music and Song from stage and screen in celebration of 40 years of Sidmouth Lions Club's existence and its services to the community.

The Lions wish to celebrate this special Anniversary in style, so 'bubbly and canapés' will be served from 7pm and it would be nice if the members of the audience 'dressed up' for the occasion (but 'black tie' is entirely optional).

The programme for this special concert has been created by superb local songbird Vicki Angus Campbell, who has worked with Sidmouth Musical Comedy Society and played lead roles in Oklahoma, Camelot, South Pacific, Irene, Annie, The King and I and Cinderella. She has also done many shows with local Musical Society SACOS (now Sidmouth Musical Theatre).

Vicki has enlisted the support of other talented singers and musicians, most of whom have given freely of their time to perform at Sidmouth Lions Club's charity concerts during the past decade, or they are youngsters who have benefited from sponsorship by Sidmouth Lions Club. The performers include well-known singers: Catherine Moore, Val Howels, John Burgoyne, Oscar Hammond, Samuel Neal, Wally Cotgrave; regular Music Director Dorothy Worthington (piano/keyboard), Ruth James (violin), Jenny Campbell (wind instruments), Niki Angus Campbell (dancer), Leigh Steedman (actor), plus Tony Hill (Lighting Designer).

The Songs and Music are from great stage



Vicki Campbell

shows and films and include hit compositions by Oscar Hammerstein, Burt Bacharach, Stephen Sondheim, Andrew Lloyd Webber, Elton John, Tim Rice, Noel Coward, Carly Simon, Lerner & Loewe, etc, etc.

All in all, this is a very special programme by star performers and the proceeds will go to Sidmouth Lions Club's community service and charity activities.

Tickets are available from the Theatre Box Office (01395 514413) open 10 am – 2 pm, Monday to Saturday. The £12 ticket price includes the pre-show 'canapés and bubbly' at 7pm.

If you would like more information about Sidmouth Lions Club please 'phone Chris on 01395 577450 or email sidmouthlions@sidmouthlions.org.uk or visit the website www.sidmouthlions.org.uk

Kings of the keyboard

TAKE TWO grand pianos, add two award-winning jazz pianists, book them to play at a great local venue and what do you get? Answer: a grand night out at Ilminster Arts Centre, in the company of two of its most popular 'kings of the keyboard'.

Dave Newton and Craig Milverton are between them 14 times UK award winners, and they both perform regularly at the Arts Centre. This concert is a unique opportunity to hear both pianists play at the same time. They will be covering a wide range of music, but will be focusing mainly on well-known jazz standards and other hand-picked material which they know will go down well with the Arts Centre audience.

And just to make the evening even more special, the Arts Centre offers a home-cooked pre-show supper at 7pm. These are extremely popular and a convivial way to start the

evening. Supper places are limited and both the suppers and the concert itself are likely to sell out early, so advance booking is recommended on both counts.

Dave Newton graduated from Leeds College of Music before establishing himself on the Scottish jazz scene. A move to London followed, where he became a sought after pianist, teaming up with Alan Barnes, Martin Taylor and Don Weller. As an accompanist Newton has worked with Carol Kidd, Tina May and Stacey Kent while his own compositions feature on many TV productions. Dave Newton was voted Best Jazz Pianist in the British Jazz Awards for the thirteenth time in 2014. "There is always more to Newton's playing than first meets the ear. The surface may be smooth, but there are all kinds of clever, subtle things going on beneath" - Dave Gelly, The Ob-

server.

Craig Milverton is one of Britain's top jazz pianists. He was born in Bexley, Kent and took piano lessons from the ages of 7, but has no formal jazz training. Craig's main influences are Oscar Peterson and Bill Evans and his jazz interest was spawned by his father's record collection. Craig began performing in public as young as 10 years of age, turning professional at 21. Since then he has played with a who's who of international jazz talent including Digby Fairweather and Scott Hamilton. Craig won the UK Jazz Award for piano in 2010.

Dave Newton and Craig Milverton play at Ilminster Arts Centre at the Meeting House on Friday, May 27th at 8pm. Tickets are £12 (pre-show supper £13 at 7pm, booked in advance). To book or for more details call 01460 54973 or visit www.themeetinghouse.org.uk

Seaton Choral Society presents Haydn's *The Creation*

HAYDN'S *The Creation* is one of the most popular works of the choral repertoire – and rightly so. His vision of the birth of our world has a radiance, energy and simplicity that is in stark contrast to the world we see today, and perhaps that is the secret of its appeal. It will be performed by Seaton Choral Society at Seaton's The Gateway on Saturday, May 14th at 7.30pm.

Haydn's religious faith, visual imagination and ever-ready musical humour contributed to this masterpiece, which uniquely conjures up for us pictures of the primeval beauty and variety of creation. His writing for solo voice is gloriously tuneful, and since arias, duets and trios form a substantial part of the score, there will be plenty of fine solo singing to enjoy.

Soprano Katherine Walker studied singing at the Royal Academy of Music and now pursues a busy career, working with the choir of the Chapels Royal at the Tower of London, the vocal group Consortium, with Vox Angelica (the upper voices trio that she co-founded) and for the charity Music in Hospitals. She has also worked for the Yehudi Menuhin 'Live Music Now!' scheme, and most notably has sung the role of Dido in Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas* at the Utrecht Early Music Festival.

Leslie Baker trained as a Choral Scholar at Cambridge and thereafter has worked extensively in both opera and oratorio. He has made a sustained contribution to music throughout the south west, in constant demand as a tenor in oratorio and concert performances, as clarinet teacher and performer, and as choral conductor. He was musical director of Seaton Choral Society from 1999 to 2011.

Ian Caddy has performed as a principal soloist in a wide variety of operas and concerts with all the major British opera companies and orchestras, as well as with Opera La Fenice, Opéra de Nantes, Opéra d'Angers, Houston Opera and Vancouver Opera. He has also sung at international festivals and on Radio and TV around the world.

G.P., conductor, composer, and father of three Peter

Milmer took over as Musical Director of Seaton Choral in 2011, and has steered the society through a number of successful performances with fine musicianship and good humour, ideal qualities with which to tackle this great work by Haydn, who is so affectionately known throughout the musical world as 'Papa'.

Seaton Choral Society perform *The Creation* this Saturday, May 14th at The Gateway, Fore Street, Seaton at 7.30pm. Tickets are £10 (18 and under free) from The Gateway Box Office 01297 625699.

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The pictures will then be displayed in The Beehive's gallery, which members of the public can come and look at whenever the Beehive is open. The exhibition will start on June 1st, so please bring your pictures in for Wendy by that date.

Wendy and The Beehive staff are really looking forward to seeing your favourites, whether they be the witches from Macbeth, Banquo's ghost, Puck or Bottom, Titania, Juliet or Malvolio!

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Mains

BBQ Rack of Ribs With sweet potato fries, onion rings and red cabbage stew	£15.00
Chicken and Mushroom Pasta Bake In a cream sauce topped with Grana Padano served with a mixed salad	£12.00
Grilled Marinated Chicken Breast On a roast tomato, grilled pepper, olives, cucumber, red onion, buffalo mozzarella and rocket salad in a pesto dressing with croutons	£13.00
Chicken Caesar Salad Gem lettuce, grilled chicken, smoky bacon, anchovies and garlic croutons with Caesar dressing and topped with Grana Padano	£11.00
Oven Roast Salmon On a vegetable & herb cous cous with a salsa verde sauce	£13.00
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The Mexican Topped with beef meatballs, red onion and jalapenos fin- ished with tomato salsa, guacamole and sour cream	£11.50
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mains

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Pizza

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Pepperoni

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desserts

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MONDAY MAY 16TH

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TUESDAY MAY 17TH

AXMINSTER: Colourful Cooking with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families), 10.30am-12.30pm. Free cooking demo, advice and support on eating healthily for those living with cancer or caring for someone who is. Project funded and supported by We are Macmillan Cancer Support. At the HALFF Food Hub, Elmore House, South Street, Axminster, Devon, EX13 5AD. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Laura on 01297 631782 for more information or email laura@halff.org.uk.

WEDNESDAY MAY 18TH

BEER: Jurassic Folk Club at the Dolphin Hotel, Fore Street 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903. **SEATON:** Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com

AXMINSTER: Axminster TIC AGM, 6.30pm. **AXMINSTER:** Cream tea with 'Tales of old Axminster' A talk from local expert Jim Rowe, plus a delicious cream tea/savoury alternative. £3 pp call to book a place: 01404 831207 or on the door 2.15-3.30pm Axminster Heritage Centre, Silver Street, Axminster **HONITON:** Honiton U3A meeting. Malcolm Eden will be telling the dramatic story of the Battle of Fenny Bridges, a local conflict that took place in 1549 and was part of the Prayer Book Rebellion. At The Beehive, Dowell Street. Doors 1.30pm, 2pm start. Members free, visitors welcome (suggested donation £2). For more details call 01404 598008.

THURSDAY MAY 19TH

SIDMOUTH: Market in St John's building, Blackmore Drive. 9-4pm. Variety of stalls, hot and cold food, refreshments available. Free entry.

CHARD: Free Cooking Demonstrations For Heart & Diabetes with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families), 10.30-12.30. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking and covering nutritional advice for people with, or at risk of, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At Crowshute House, Crowshute Link, Chard, TA20 2EZ. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Chat, learn, eat. Call Laura on 01297 631782 for more details, email laura@halff.org.uk or go to www.halff.org.uk.

COLYTON: Guided History Walks around Colyton. Starts 2pm from the town car park, lasting approx 1 hour. £3 per head, under 16s free. Includes visit to the Heritage Centre. Booking not needed, and regardless of weather. For more details call 01297 552514 or 33406, or visit www.colytonheritagecentre.org

FRIDAY MAY 20TH

SEATON: Christian Aid coffee and lunch at the United Reformed Church Hall, Cross Street. 11am-1.15pm. From 11am - coffee and tea and biscuits. From midday - lunch of soup and a ham or cheese roll, and pudding, and tea/coffee for £5.

AXMINSTER: Axminster Heritage Coach outing to Mottisfont Abbey, Romsey. Enjoy this interesting and historic National Trust property, its garden and rolling grounds beside a tributary of the River Test, its National Collection of beautifully scented old roses and its art exhibition and collection. Leaving Axminster 8am, returning around 6pm For full details, please ring 01404 831207. Tickets from Axminster Heritage Centre (cash only) during opening hours.

HONITON: Hospiscare Bingo Evening at Mackarness Hall. Refreshments and raffle. Doors 6.15pm, eyes down 7pm.

SATURDAY MAY 21ST

KILMINGTON: Plant Market at 10.30am at Kilminster Village Hall, Whitford Road. Flowers, shrubs, vegetables, bedding plants and other horticultural delights.

WHEATLACKINGTON: Table Top Sale at Whitelackington Hall. Buyers free, sellers £5 (to book a table call 01460 55606). Refreshments available.

ILMINSTER: Somerset Wildlife Trust Ilminster/Chard group "Grand Plant Sale" fund-raiser, 9am-12noon. Wide variety of plants as well as home-made cakes & preserves are on sale. Please donate good quality, labelled plants and come along to support this event. Market Hall, East St, Ilminster. Enquiries 01460 234551.

SUNDAY MAY 22ND

HONITON: Short Mat Bowls. 9.30am weekly. Teaching and playing. Newcomers welcome. At LED Leisure Centre, School Lane (EX14 1QW). For more details call 01404 42325

MONDAY MAY 23RD

AXMINSTER: Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

Superb summer season line-up at Seaton Tramway

SEATON TRAMWAY has a fantastic line up of special events this summer including the return of the superb Classic Car Show on Sunday, June 5th, with Summer Fair and Dog Show at Colyton Station.

Families and children are sure to enjoy this unique day out with a little something for everyone! Once having marvelled at the classic vehicles on show on the Esplanade at Seaton seafront, why not step aboard one of our trams and experience the Golden Age of Travel? Journey inland to Colyton Station where there will be an old fashioned Summer Fair with an array of stalls, as well as face painting, Munchkin Ponies and live music from the Lazy River Swing band. Seaton Tramway will also be hosting a fun dog show, alongside the Summer Fair, where you can enter your pooch for only £1.50 per dog/per class. There will be lots of rosettes to be won in categories such as, cutest puppy, waggiest tail, best fancy dress, and a dog & owner lookalike - to name just a few!

Trams will be departing from Seaton and Colyton every 20 minutes.

All Day Tram Explorer tickets are £10 per Adult, £7.50 per Child (3-15), and Children under 3s & dogs go free on the day. These tickets give unlimited travel on trams.

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The Astley Duo

THE Friends of St Mary's Church in East Chincock, near Yeovil, will host a concert on Flute and Harp performed by The Astley Duo this Saturday, May 14th, starting at 7.30 pm.

This talented duo will perform a varied programme with a mix of light classical, including Bach and Glinka, and popular folk music. Songwriter and musician Virginia Astley (flute) lives in West Dorset and is regularly joined by her daughter Florence on the harp, performing at a variety of venues across Somerset and Dorset.

Tickets priced at £8 are available now from 01935 862221 or 864408. The concert is presented by The Friends of St Mary's, raising funds to maintain the fabric of this historic church building.

Gotta Dance, Gotta Sing!

THE NEW FOXTROT SERENADERS feature in the last concert of this year's Honiton Festival - 'Gotta Dance, Gotta Sing! Step back in time to the Golden Age of the 1930's as this exciting seven-piece band re-creates the sounds of the Dance band era. This band has been entertaining audiences for over 20 years in SE England; now it's our turn! Their arrangements are especially suited to dancing, so come and join the magnificent party atmosphere in the Beehive.

Relax and listen to the sounds of Jack Hylton, Roy Fox, Ambrose, Ray Noble, Duke Ellington to but name a few; they are all here for your listening and dancing pleasure. From Gershwin to Gay enjoy a night to remember with the New Foxtrot Serenaders. Special guest Peter Hammond, virtuoso star on piano and theatre organ, trumpeter extraordinaire and bandleader Graham Wright and the band will be introduced by Master of Ceremonies, Tim Wardley.

Bring your dancing shoes to the Beehive on Saturday 14 May for the 7.30pm start. Tickets are £12 and can be purchased in advance in person from The Beehive, by telephone on 01404 384050 or at www.beehivehoniton.co.uk. Student tickets (£5) are available only at the door on the night.

For further details of this and the remaining concert, see www.thehonitonfestival.co.uk where you can download the Festival Brochure and detailed programme notes when available.



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Diary Dates

MISTERTON: Bingo in aid of British Heart Foundation at Misterton Village Hall, eyes down 7.30pm.

TUESDAY MAY 24TH

SIDMOUTH: All Saints Tea Dance for Childrens Hospice SouthWest. 2.30pm. Every fourth Tuesday of the month. 01395 571122

THURSDAY MAY 26TH

SIDMOUTH: Market in St John's building, Blackmore Drive. 9-4pm. Variety of stalls, hot and cold food, refreshments available. Free entry.

COLYTON: Guided History Walks around Colyton. Starts 2pm from the town car park, lasting approx 1 hour. £3 per head, under 16s free. Includes visit to the Heritage Centre. Booking not needed, and regardless of weather. For more details call 01297 552514 or 33406, or visit www.colytonheritagecentre.org **SIDMOUTH:** Crime Book Club at Kennaway House, 2.30pm. Enjoy a good read of the first Jenny Cooper novel, and then join a small, friendly group of like minds to discuss the book. No charge, no need to register. Hot drinks and biscuits available at nominal cost.

TATWORTH: Film: 'Lady In The Van' (12a) at Tatworth Memorial Hall. Doors 7.15pm. Telephone 01460 220198.

FRIDAY MAY 27TH TO MONDAY MAY 30TH

SOUTH PETHERTON: South Petherton Art Society Paintings Exhibition 2016. The art section of the Combined Arts Group will be presenting their annual art exhibition at the Blake Hall. This exhibition displaying and selling the work of talented local artists will be open to the public, admission free, as follows: Friday 10am-6pm. Saturday, Sunday, Monday 10am-4pm.

SATURDAY MAY 28TH

SIDMOUTH: 'Lilac time - white, pinks and purples' Weekend Dancing with Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. At Stowford Centre, 8-11pm. Free parking. Bring your own snacks. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided. Pay on the door, £6.

CREWKERNE: A demonstration of Floral Art by Jenny Chance to be held at Donyatt Village Hall in aid of the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, at 2.30pm followed by afternoon tea. Tickets £7 with a raffle of flowers, sales table and plant stall. Please phone for ticket 01460 53951 or 01460 72665

MISTERTON: Jumble Sale at Misterton W.I. Hall (TA18 8LX) in aid of hall upkeep. Usual good variety of clothing, bric-a-brac, shoes, household goods, good as new, etc. Light refreshments. Enq. 01460 74808.

DALWOOD: Italian Evening at The Tuckers Arms, Dalwood, tickets from Axminster TIC & Tuckers Arms, raising funds for the Axminster TIC.

WAYFORD: Wayford Church Flower Festival. The church is open all day. Cream teas served 2pm-4.30pm. Celebrating 750 years 1266-2016.

SATURDAY MAY 28TH - MONDAY MAY 30TH

CRICKET MALHERBIE, KNOWLE ST GILES: Three Day Flower Festival at St Mary Magdalene Church, 10am-5pm each day. Many stalls, coffee and cake in the Church. Musical entertainment and raffle. Cream teas in the Old Rectory Garden from 2pm. Sunday 'Songs of Praise Service, 6.30pm in the Church with Readings & Poems based on the Festival Theme "Quotations".

SUNDAY MAY 29TH

HONITON: Short Mat Bowls. 9.30am weekly. Teaching and playing. Newcomers welcome. At LED Leisure Centre, School Lane (EX14 1QW). For more details call 01404 42325

WAYFORD: Wayford Church Flower Festival. Combine with a visit to Wayford Manor open gardens next door. Celebrating 750 years 1266-2016.

MONDAY MAY 30TH

SEATON: Esplanade Sale from 8am to 4pm - Various charities have stalls including Cancer Research UK selling bric-a-brac, plants, tombola ect.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 1ST

SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com

THURSDAY JUNE 2ND

SIDMOUTH: Market in St John's building, Blackmore Drive. 9-4pm. Variety of stalls, hot and cold food, refreshments available. Free entry.

COLYTON: Guided History Walks around Colyton. Starts 2pm from the town car park, lasting approx 1 hour. £3 per head, under 16s free. Includes visit to the Heritage Centre. Booking not needed, and regardless of weather. For more details call 01297 552514 or 33406, or visit www.colytonheritagecentre.org

FRIDAY JUNE 3RD

SEATON: Seaton Eats Boutique. An evening street food market overlooking the sea. 5-9pm in Jubilee Gardens.

TBOB main sponsor and extra acts announced

PHIL GORDON, organiser of this summer's exciting Thorncombe Battle of Bands (TBOB), has announced their key sponsor: "I am absolutely thrilled that Beviss and Beckingsale have agreed to come on board and be our key sponsoring partner for TBOB.rock. They are a great local business that have been really supportive of what we are trying to achieve for the local music scene with TBOB."

"It's really important to give up-and-coming musical talent the chance to shine. I'm sure they will get a real buzz playing to such an enthusiastic crowd."

"At TBOB it's all about the music and wanting artists to get the best out of themselves, playing to a full venue of people urging them onto success."

TBOB has already signed up an impressive eight bands to play after just a couple of weeks with more to follow. Phil told **VIEW 2**: "I'm delighted to say that we've also started getting entries from the local colleges and academies, so the U21's award should be well contested too - is your school represented yet?"

Mark Carlisle, a Partner in Beviss & Beckingsale's Axminster Office, says: "We are delighted to be involved with this event. We always try to support our local communities and to be given the opportunity to play a part in what promises to be a fantastic weekend is very welcome. Apart from the Beer and Cider Festival, which obviously will be enjoyable, it will be super to be able to watch the young musical talent show what they can do. The organisers deserve our support and thanks for all the hard work they have put in."

TBOB is part of the Thorncombe Beer and Cider festival which takes place on July 1st and 2nd. There's a full program of events from Friday night when all competing bands will start playing from 6.30pm. Saturday from 11.00am, there's a six a side cricket competition, family rounders, sideshows and stalls before the grand finale of TBOB starting at 6.30pm.

If you know of any good local musicians that might want to get involved, send them to www.tbob.rock! They can apply at www.tbob.rock and will be able to find all the info there.



Mandy for Girls



Recovering Satellites

Get creative in May

EVER WANTED to know how to make a collagraph print? Or how to bind a hardback book? Or create a unique sculpture out of wire? If you have, then you are in luck this month! Ilminster Arts Centre is running one day workshops on all these creative skills, in addition to its regular rosta of arts and crafts workshops.

Full details are in IAC's brochure and on the website, but in the meantime, here is the essential information you need to know:

Collagraph Printing is a technique of collaging textural materials to card to create a bas relief. After inking the 'plate' the collagraph is printed onto dampened paper forming embossed and colourful prints. This one day workshop is being held on Friday, May 13th, and is led by tutor Claire Anderson. 10am-1pm. £15 (excluding materials).

Led by tutor Helen Bishop, Book

binding is a new one day workshop that will teach participants all the skills required to create their own beautiful handmade book, ideal to use as a sketchbook, journal or notepad. No previous bookbinding experience is necessary. Thursday, May 26th, 10am-4pm, Cost £55 (including all materials). Places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Wire Sculpture is another new workshop. Led by artist Juliet Farnese, this workshop is an introduction to working creatively in wire. Everyone will make a wall hanging sculpture, with a choice of subjects including horse, hare or human figure. Tuesday, May 31st 10am-3pm. £30 (excluding materials, approx. cost £6).

To book your place on these, or any other workshops, please call the Arts Centre on 01460 54973.



Universal Sound Machine

Get Cape. Wear Cape. Drop Cape. Become Recreations.

FOR TEN YEARS, Sam Duckworth served as a generation's acousti-pop pied-piper as Get Cape Wear Cape Fly. It was an alias that served the Southend native well, taking him everywhere from major-label chart-raiding to the frontlines of activism, to live music grassroots and, at one point, a guest spot on Hollyoaks.

But all things must pass, and on September 12, 2014, Sam slashed the Cape, sending his alter-ego plummeting to his death on the floor of London's Kentish Town Forum while he played a triumphant farewell show and released the final Get Cape album, *London Royal*.

Like with most of life's biggest decisions, the reasons were both trivial and profound. At the age of 30, he was feeling increasingly awkward going round telling people he was named after a Batman headline in Retro Gamer magazine.

"I decided to kill off the Get Cape thing because I just knew I needed a change. After ten years, everybody else I knew was able to move away from their uni lives and move away from their teens and I was kind of still wearing it, and it was uncomfortable. You pick up little bits of baggage throughout life. I'm also into the idea that the best way to start anything new, is to completely radically shift everything and then rebuild it."

Now, Sam is back as Recreations, cheerfully admitting the new moniker Recreations is down to nothing more profound than a deep-seated affection for big-hearted US sitcom Parks and Recreation. For his rebirth, Sam presents *'Baby Boomers 2'*; a self-produced collection full of wide-eyed, big-dreaming, conscientious pop songs that are undeniably /him/, but delivered with looser funk, crisper electronics and notably less tubs to thump on. In more ways than one, it sees Duckworth get his groove back.

Baby Boomers 2 though, is still keenly concerned with contemporary society. Bookending the record are two songs that will be most familiar with Get Cape fans in sound (gentle acoustic guitar) and vision, tackling broadly the same themes. 'Zones 9 and 10' documents the exodus from London by a generation priced out of the capital, while 'Lifestyle Concept Store' laments the consequences of that for the creative community, mourning beloved nights and venues like the Metro and Plastic People. Yet *'Baby Boomers 2'* is not a record about oligarchs and property prices, but something more fundamental.

"I believe there's a lost generation, that people of my age have been completely forgotten about," Sam explains. "Everyone's talking about millennials, so you've got the baby boomers and the millennials, but there's a big 20-year gap that nobody really wants to talk about."

Most definitions of a millennial - somebody born between 1980 and 2000 - places Sam firmly within the definitions of that particular buzzword, but he doesn't see it like that at all.

"I don't think that should be the line, I think that's the problem. The problem is that technol-



Sam Duckworth, now going by the moniker 'Recreations'

ogy or the internet, particularly the social element of it, happened to me post-puberty. To me, I draw the line as: did you get a smartphone or a social media account pre or post-puberty? Because if you get it after that then I don't think you have the same relationship in terms of how it fulfils your emotional needs And that isn't me."

Privately there was even more going on. At the start of 2012, Sam faced the challenge of his life. A visit to Africa saw him contract Schistosomiasis (Bilharzia), an infection caused by a parasitic worm. But when this was missed twice by tests, a collapse in the studio and a biopsy on his bladder saw him warned to 'expect the worst' over fears about an aggressive cancer. As he candidly admits, this is "the first record that I sat down to make after I thought I was going to die. And so, I haven't really got anything to say, other than I'm a little bit confused. My mindset didn't shift, but certain things solidified and certain things became absurd to me that weren't absurd before."

"What it really did was solidify what has always driven me ... a lot of people feel like life is a waste of time and doesn't really have a direction, because a lot of people don't feel like they have any ownership over the future. So it's a different kind of politics. There's a powerlessness which I believe is growing again. I'm of the belief that if people start to believe how much power they have, the things that they can do, regardless of whether it's political, but just in terms of the enjoyment they can find in life, or the things they can express or the way they can live. It's just a mindset shift. So I want to make a record where it's like; the reality of life is hard, and there's this idea that everybody's opinions are lost in this digital ghetto of people

echoing opinions. But that should be enough to realise that there's a consensus and it can actually go somewhere. I think what's happened is a lot of smart people I know have got choked under the weight of feeling negative and powerless and have forgotten that actually you don't have to just accept. It might take a radical change in your life, but if things need to be different, they can be. That's the joy of being human."

Joy is something he was at great pains to infuse *'Baby Boomers 2'* with. So while *'Red Spex'* encapsulates the generation-maybe design for life he just explained, it does so in an irresistible riot of bontempi being-pop. *'Out-door Type'* tackles third-life disillusionment over taut white funk. The gentle *'In Good Time'* uses the activist background as a canvas for probably the closest he's ever got to a straightforward tender love song, and it's no exaggeration to call *'Pipe Down'* an out-and-out house banger. There's more than one way to read that title; on *'Baby Boomers 2'*, romance, ideology and pop come together as never before in his catalogue.

"I spent years trying to find the sound and realised that I probably had it all along. I was just confusing it by looking for something else. It was about making all the things I love about music, and all the influences I have worked together at once. I wrote a lot of songs to get here. There's politics in it and there's emotion in it, but at the same time it needs a groove... and it needs to be fun."

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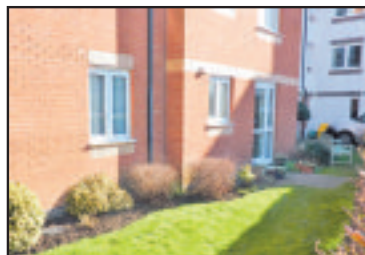
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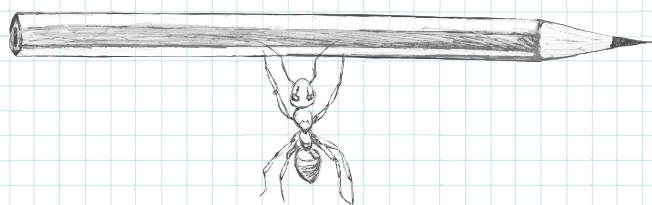
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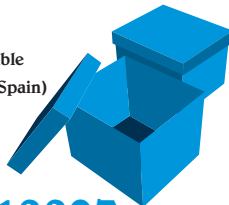
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New FIAT Tipo hatchback and Station Wagon UK pricing and specifications announced

THE all-new FIAT Tipo hatchback and Station Wagon have been launched to the UK media in Turin, affording them their first opportunity to experience its exceptional roominess, high specification, robust quality and outstanding efficiency, not to mention its stylish Italian flair.

The new FIAT Tipo hatchback is deceptively roomy, being capable of accommodating three six-feet-plus adult passengers in the rear – thanks to class-leading legroom and outstanding headroom – within its 4.37m long, 1.79m wide and 1.50m tall dimensions. Its boot capacity is also best-in-class with a volume of 440 litres, while the Station Wagon version adds an additional 110 litres of boot space which, at 550 litres, is also class leading. The Station Wagon can also carry loads of up to 1.8m in length courtesy of an extra 20cm of length (4.57m) and its flip-and-fold 60/40 split rear seats provide a completely flat load floor. The Station Wagon body style has a height of 1.51m thanks to the standard-fit longitudinal roof bars.

Loading the boot of the Station Wagon is aided by a low load sill with reconfigurable components such as an adjustable load floor and removable side storage panels to further increase the width of the luggage compartment. The roller cover can conveniently be removed with one hand and stored under the floor panel, while two lights, two bag hooks and four load-retaining hooks positioned on the floor provide added convenience.

The FIAT Tipo features numerous cabin compartments with a variety of shapes and capacities totalling no less than 12 litres. Easily reachable by driver and passengers, these compartments are perfect for storing personal objects, smartphones, game consoles, bottles, coins and much more, and there is also a USB port for charging and connecting devices. Maximum comfort is assured by the ex-

cellent driving ergonomics and the convenient arrangement of the secondary controls which can be reached easily without the driver having to take their eyes off the road.

In terms of the model range, both the hatchback and Station Wagon will be offered in three trim levels – the names of these trim levels in the UK are to be confirmed.

The entry-level trim level is equipped with air conditioning, remote central locking, front electric windows, body-coloured door mirrors with electric adjustment, six airbags, DAB digital radio, chrome door handles, split rear seats, a front seat centre arm rest, USB and Bluetooth connectivity with steering wheel remote controls. The Station Wagon adds rear electric windows and longitudinal roof bars.

Key options for the entry-level version include front fog lights (£150), dark tinted rear windows (£175), rear electric windows (£240 – standard on Station Wagon), 16-inch alloy wheels (£350), rear parking sensors (£300) and a five-inch Uconnect touchscreen system with Live services, DAB and satellite navigation (£500).

The mid-range trim level adds a five-inch Uconnect touchscreen infotainment system, a leather-trimmed steering wheel and gear knob, rear power windows, LED daytime running lights, 16-inch alloy wheels, front fog lights, rear parking sensors and cruise control. The price for the mid-level trim is £1,000 above that of the equivalent entry-level Tipo, thereby simplifying the range structure and making it easier for customers to choose the best Tipo for their needs and budget.

Also included with the mid-level version are the Uconnect LIVE services, which combines with a smartphone app (available via App Store or Google Play) to offer music streaming with Deezer and Tuneln, news from Reuters and the ability to stay in touch with friends via Face-

book Check-in and Twitter, not to mention monitoring vehicle performance, efficiency and maintenance status with eco:Drive and my:Car.

Key options for this trim level include a satellite navigation upgrade (just £250), reversing camera (£300) and Comfort Pack (climate control, driver's side lumbar adjustment and rear arm rest). Two Safety Packs are available, with Safety Pack B offering a speed limiter and Automatic Emergency Braking (AEB) for £250 and Safety Pack A adding adaptive cruise control (ACC) in addition to the speed limiter and AEB for £500. Safety Pack A is not available with the entry trim level or 1.4-litre engine.

The top trim level, which is priced just £1,000 above the equivalent mid-level version, builds on the specification of the mid-range Tipo but adds satellite navigation with TomTom LIVE services including HD Traffic, climate control, 17-inch alloy wheels, automatic lights and wipers, rear view camera, driver's side lumbar support and a chrome pack all as standard. Key options include leather upholstery with heated seats (£750) and Safety Packs A (£500) and B (£250).

The engine range comprises five engines in total. There are three petrol engines, a 1.4-litre 16v producing 95hp and 127Nm, a 1.4 T-Jet turbo petrol with 120hp and 206Nm and the 1.6-litre e-TorQ engine producing 110hp and 152Nm (combined exclusively to a six-speed, torque converter automatic transmission) and two turbo diesel engines – a 1.3-litre Multijet II producing 95hp and 200Nm and a 1.6-litre Multijet II with an output of 120hp and 320Nm.

The entry-level 1.4-litre 16v FIRE delivers 95hp at 6,000 rpm and 127Nm at 4,500 rpm and is equipped with a six-speed manual gearbox as standard. It is capable of accelerating the FIAT Tipo hatchback from a standstill to 62mph (100km/h) in 12.1 seconds (12.3 for the Station Wagon) and on to a top speed of

115mph (both body styles). The official combined cycle fuel economy figure is 49.6mpg for both body styles and their CO2 emissions are both 132g/km. Prices for the 1.4 hatchback start at £12,995 and prices for the Station Wagon start at £13,995, just £1,000 more than its hatchback equivalent.

The 1.4-litre T-Jet (turbo petrol) engine develops 120hp at 5,000rpm and 215Nm from just 2,500rpm and again it is combined with a six-speed manual gearbox as standard. The 0-62mph dash is dispatched in a lively 9.6 seconds (9.8 seconds for the SW) and top speed for both body styles is 124mph. Official combined cycle fuel economy figures (47.1mpg) and CO2 emissions (139g/km) are also the same for both body styles. Prices for the 1.4 T-Jet start at just £14,995 (mid-level hatchback).

For customers seeking an automatic petrol car, the 1.6-litre E-torQ petrol engine has been combined exclusively with a torque-converter six-speed automatic transmission for smooth shifting, minimal maintenance and greater refinement. Producing 110hp at 5,500rpm and 152Nm of torque at 4,500rpm, it can accelerate the FIAT Tipo from 0-62mph in just 11.5 seconds (11.7 seconds for the SW) and on to a top speed of 119mph (both body styles). An official combined cycle economy figure of 44.8mpg and emissions of 147g/km applies to both body styles.

The 1.3-litre Multijet II 95hp engine combines strong performance with extremely low running costs, thanks to its variable geometry turbo charger and third-generation Common Rail Multijet II injection system. It is equipped with a five-speed manual gearbox and Start & Stop as standard, and develops 95hp at 3,750rpm and 200Nm from 1,500 rpm. It is capable of accelerating from 0-62mph in 12.0 seconds (12.3 in the SW) and top speed is 112mph, while official

combined cycle fuel economy figure is 76.3mpg and CO2 emission are 99g/km for both hatchback and Station Wagon. Prices for the 1.3-litre Multijet II 95hp start at just £14,995 (entry-level hatchback).

The top diesel engine in the range is the 1.6 Multijet II 120hp unit and in the Tipo it is combined with a six-speed manual gearbox or FIAT's new DDCT six-speed dual clutch automatic transmission. It produces 120hp at 3,750rpm and 320Nm at 1,750rpm and the manual model is capable of accelerating to 62mph from a rest in 9.8 seconds (10.1 in the SW), while the top speed, official combined cycle fuel consumption figure and CO2 emissions are the same for both bodies – 124mph, 76.3mpg and 98g/km respectively. Full performance and economy figures for the DDCT will be announced shortly.

The FIAT Tipo was designed in Italy by the FIAT Style Centre, developed in Turkey together with Tofaş R&D, one of FCA's largest research and development centres, and made in the Tofaş plant in Bursa – one of the world's best automotive factories, which has received a World Class Manufacturing Gold Medal.

Since its world première at the Istanbul Motor Show in May 2015 and its presentation to the international press last November, the FIAT Tipo has collected the prestigious Autotest "Best Buy Car 2016" award, chosen by a jury of 26 international journalists.

The all-new FIAT Tipo goes on sale in the UK in September in hatchback and station wagon body styles. For images and the latest news on the new FIAT Tipo and other models in the FIAT range visit www.FIATpress.co.uk.



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FOUR major automotive names will join forces at the London Motor Show as part of the Global NCAP #STOPTHECRASH partnership to ensure that consumers considering buying a new car know the life-saving questions they must ask their dealer before making their choice, namely:

1. What Euro NCAP test rating does this car have?
2. Is Autonomous Emergency Braking (AEB) fitted to this car - and is it standard?
3. What else should I do to maximise the

safety protection offered by this car? By providing visitors to the show with these three key questions the partnership consisting of Thatcham Research, Bosch, Continental and ZF TRW hope to help reduce the annual UK toll of 100,000 rear end crashes and to make certain that consumers ensure the highest level of safety on their next car. The evidence in favour of AEB is unequivocal. A report released by Euro NCAP in 2015 found that Autonomous Braking systems were responsible for a 38 per

cent reduction in real-world rear-end crashes. Despite these statistics - and the fact that vehicle manufacturers have made good progress in making the technology available - AEB is currently only standard fit on 17% of new cars currently on sale in the UK.

"Autonomous Emergency Braking as standard should be the number one priority for anyone choosing a new car," stated David Ward, Secretary-General of the Global New Car Assessment Programme (Global NCAP). "The technology is already available in one form or another from almost every car manufacturer and in the absence of legislation to make it mandatory, we are encouraging consumers to use their power of choice to ensure that every new car coming onto the road has this life-saving feature fitted."

Demonstrations showing the safety advantage provided by Autonomous Emergency Braking (AEB) will run throughout the show and visitors to the #STOPTHECRASH stand will be able to check which new cars have AEB as standard using an online resource that is hosted on the

Thatcham Research website www.thatcham.org/aeb-fitted this is regularly updated to reflect improvements in safety specification.

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Tyre safety will also be highlighted, with representatives from Continental on hand to demonstrate the effect that low tread depth can have. The UK legal limit for tread depth is 1.6mm, yet tests show tyres only perform at 55% efficiency with this amount of wear.

Continental recommends replacing tyres when tread depth reaches 3mm as a responsible compromise between safety, economics and driver confidence, and is focused on educating drivers on the reasons why this is important: research* indicates that 40 per cent of drivers have never checked the tread of their tyres, choosing instead to wait for a service, while 20 per cent admit that they do not even know how to carry out a tyre check.

"Research shows that three quarters of all collisions occur at speeds under 20 mph," commented David Ward. "Even the

most basic AEB system in conjunction with sensible tyre safety could prevent the vast majority of these incidents."

Helping Consumers to Understand Safety Features and Make the Right Choices

A recent survey** indicated that drivers are more likely to pay extra for satellite navigation and digital radio than they are to invest in safety features, a situation that #STOPTHECRASH believes has to change as a part of the move towards higher standards of road safety.

"Less than half of consumers are ticking the option box on safety features, which means a significant opportunity to save lives is being missed," said Ward. "While the simplest way to increase uptake of safety technologies such as AEB is to make them standard on all new cars, better and more widely available information about how they work and the benefits they provide is the key to changing drivers' attitudes and we believe that vehicle manufacturers and automotive retailers have a vital shared role to play in this respect."



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Introducing new Citroën C4 Picasso & Grand C4 Picasso: Designed with style & comfort in mind

THE Citroën C4 Picasso range enters a new era this summer, with even more dynamism, distinction and comfort on offer. Boasting a new front end, a two-tone body and roof option and even more personalisation possibilities, travelling in the New C4 Picasso promises to be a unique and pleasurable experience.

New C4 Picasso and Grand C4 Picasso now feature new intuitive technologies including a Hands-Free Tailgate, a new connectivity offering with Citroën Connect Nav and two new petrol engines: PureTech 130 S&S EAT6 in C4 Picasso and Grand C4 Picasso and PureTech 110 S&S 6-speed

manual in the five-seat version. Since its launch in 2013, the second-generation Citroën C4 Picasso range has proved immensely successful, appealing to over 300,000 customers worldwide.

New C4 Picasso is a modern and innovative MPV designed with all of Citroën's know-how

and creativity. Its strong and expressive styling makes it distinctive, with dynamic lines and unique front and rear light signatures. The design combines a compact exterior with class-leading interior space. The cabin offers a light-filled ambience to enhance the feeling of quality and well-being.

That feeling is further underpinned by balanced on-road performance. The EMP2 platform offers a perfect blend of irreplaceable road holding and classic Citroën comfort for all passengers. New C4 Picasso spearheads the Citroën Advanced Comfort® programme, which is at the forefront of each new vehicle design and aims to enhance the comfort of each and every current Citroën vehicle.

The second-generation Citroën C4 Picasso already offered technologies designed for well-being. Innovations such as Vision 360, park assist and adaptive cruise control always served to create a relaxed and easy drive.

The 2016 New Citroën C4 Picasso builds on these innovations with:

ATTRACTIVE STYLING

Boasting a new front end, new standard specification 3D-effect rear lights and new 17-inch alloy wheels, both versions have flowing and modern lines

to deliver personality and dynamism. A two-tone roof is available on the C4 Picasso five-seat and there is a new Silver coloured roof bar option for Grand C4 Picasso, as well as three new body colours.

BODY DESIGN AND STYLING

New Citroën C4 Picasso boasts an immediately recognisable body shape, with a more unique and dynamic appearance in 2016.

TECHNOLOGY

Since their launch, C4 Picasso and Grand C4 Picasso have boasted useful everyday functionality such as keyless entry and start, hill-start assist, Xenon directional headlamps, automatic dipping headlights, tyre-pressure monitoring, the Vision 360 system, park assist and a reversing camera.

Designed in France and produced at the Vigo plant in Spain, the New Citroën C4 Picasso and Grand C4 Picasso will go 'on sale' in the UK on 1 September 2016. Order books will open in June.



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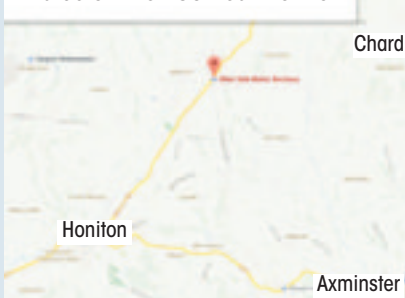
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MG MOTOR UK has unveiled its all-new SUV, the MG GS, at the London Motor Show today and announced an automatic DCT gearbox will be available.

At an exclusive preview event at the

Battersea Park show, MG has proudly pulled back the cover on the GS to reveal the striking new addition to the UK model range.

MG was also pleased to announce that

the GS will come with the British manufacturer's first automatic transmission. The SUV's top specification model will be available with the option of a DCT gearbox; which will be more responsive and provide customers with a much smoother ride. The GS will also come with an agile 1.5-litre turbo petrol engine and will be available in three different trim levels.

Matthew Cheyne, Head of Sales and Marketing for MG, said: "When considering transmissions and engine choices, we listened to our customers and looked at market trends. It's not only a momentous occasion to unveil our first SUV, it is also a significant moment to announce our first automatic – something many of our customers have been waiting for, and so we're thrilled to be offering it to them."

MG is assuring customers that when prices are announced in June, they will reflect the family pricing strategy.

Cheyne added: "Regarding how much this fantastic new car will cost, it will be consistent with our other models. We're proud of the fact our prices are transparent. When

we say our cars are affordable, we mean it. The price structures are easy to understand and have no surprise additions.

"When we officially launch the GS next month, people will be able to find out more about the car's performance and when they can get behind the wheel of one."

To register your interest in the MG GS, visit the MG website www.mg.co.uk/gs.

About MG Motor

The iconic British MG brand can trace its history back to 1924 and is world famous for making stylish cars that are fun to drive and own and are sold at remarkably affordable prices. Modern MGs, which are designed, engineered and finally assembled in Longbridge, Birmingham, continue this long and rich MG tradition.

Two cars currently come off the Longbridge assembly lines: the MG6 and the MG3 with several models planned for the immediate and longer-term future.

The MG6 is a medium-sized fastback offering fantastic dynamic handling, high levels of interior comfort and a tremendously spacious cabin area with a cav-

ernous boot. The MG6 won the category '£17,500 and under' in the Caravan Club Towcar of the Year Awards in 2015. It also won the 2014 Auto Express Driver Power Best Handling Award and in 2016 was voted the third best family car and retained its reputation for handling by winning a silver award in the national public survey.

The MG3 is a new generation supermini which brings fun and style to this sector of the market at very affordable prices. The super-fun car was voted fifth best supermini in the Auto Express Driver Power survey. The 1.5-litre petrol-powered car can also be personalised, so owners have the option of giving their car their own style-statement.

MG was voted the fifth best manufacturer in the UK in the Auto Express Driver Power Awards in 2016. MG was the fastest growing brand in Britain in 2014 as shown by official figures issued by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders. Currently MG has the fastest growing network of dealers in the UK as sales continue to surge.



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Cheddar	40	72
Portishead Town	40	70
Hengrove Athletic	40	70
Ashton & Backwell Utd	40	66*
Keynsham Town	40	66
Corsham	40	60
Almondsbury	40	56
Wellington	40	55
Radstock Town	40	54
Chippenhams Park	40	53
Culme Town	40	52
Wincanton Town	40	46
Warminster Town	40	46
Roman Glass St George	40	40
Devizes Town	40	38
Westbury Utd	40	30
Bishops Sutton	40	8

SWP Div One (E) Final	Pld	Pts
Tiverton Town Res (C)	34	89
Teignmouth	34	69*
University of Exeter	34	66
St Martin's	34	66
Gallopston Utd	34	53
Alphington	34	52
Newton Abbot Spurs	34	50
AXMINSTER TOWN	34	49
Brixham AFC	34	48
Appledore	34	46*
Budeigh Salterton	34	45
Sidmouth Utd	34	45
Exwick Villa	34	44
Credition Utd	34	38
Liton Utd	34	34
Bovey Tracey	34	31
Totnes & Dartington	34	30
Okehampton Argyle	34	0*

Somerset Div 1 (W) (24)	Pld	Pts
Middlezoy Rovers (C)	24	64
Wells City Reserves	23	43
Minhead	23	40
Winscombe	24	35
Congresbury	22	34*
Cleeve West Town	24	34
ILMINSTER TOWN	23	34
Glastonbury FC	23	30
Street Reserves	22	30
COMBE ST NICHOLAS	23	24
Burnham Utd	22	17
Portishead Town Reserves	21	16*
St George Easton (R)	24	11

D&E Premier (28)	Pld	Pts
Newtown	27	63
Topsham Town	27	62
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Elmore	27	47
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Beer Albion	27	25
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D&E Div Six (24)	Pld	Pts
Whipton & Pinhoe	21	58
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Third place finish for Fricker's Chard

Week of cup woes for Drimpton – Halstock back with a trophy – Merriott Dynamos join worrying tally.

MIDWEEK ROUND-UP Wednesday, May 4th

HENGROVE ATHLETIC 2 CHARD TOWN 1
Toolstation Division One – att; 30
CHARD Town's unlikely bid to snatch the Toolstation League Division One title from under the noses of Wells City fell at the final hurdle with defeat at Norton Lane on Wednesday evening.

But the The Robins can be content with an impressive third place finish. Outgoing manager Adam Fricker was however full of praise for his side in his last game in charge before he head's off to take over at Bridport, he told **View Sports**: "The lads were gutted that we couldn't quite finish it off, but I'm so proud of them all and what they have achieved, they are a credit to the football club."

"We were excellent for the first 25 minutes we were excellent and Sam Clark scored a cracking goal from 25 yards out.

"But we then failed to take further chances to kill the game off and the longer it went on the more Hengrove got into the game."

"I told the lads before the game that no matter whether we finished 1st, 2nd or 3rd, for me they have achieved their goals, their work rate, attitude and football has been superb and they have been a pleasure to manage."

Ken Hodges Cup Final DRIMPTON 0 HALSTOCK 1

Wednesday, May 4th (at Drimpton)
DRIMPTON failed in their attempt to win their own Ken Hodges Cup on the 30th anniversary of its inception on Wednesday evening.

Missing half-a dozen regulars, the Division One hosts actually came into the game as marginal underdogs against their opponents who look odds-on for the Division Three title.

Halstock, up the hill and looking into the sun, nonetheless attacked from the off. Mark Whitmarsh had an early shot well saved by Greens' keeper Nathan Turnbull.

Jack Tavener also had a good chance for Halstock soon after but scuffed his shot when well placed.

Drimpton's best moment of the night came in the 11th minute when Chris Rowsell beat the offside trap and fired in shot that zipped past keeper Josh Dear but struck the foot of the post and rebounded to safety.

A busy opening quarter of an hour ended with Halstock's Ben Brister shooting narrowly over the angle after good work from Cawley.

What proved to be the winner came four minutes before the interval, and what a goal it was!

Tavener was tripped on the corner of the penalty area and up stepped Caw-

ley to smash home a magnificent free kick that nestle in the far stanchion giving Turnbull no chance.

In the second half the game opened up after the hour but Drimpton carried little goal threat themselves.

Cawley had an effort ruled out for off-side and Whitmarsh had an effort kicked away by Turnbull.

Then Whitmarsh, with 18-goals in a fine first season in the league, had three clear cut chances in a three minute spell he may wish to forget; firstly lobbed over the bar from 10 yards out when completely unmarked, then in a repeat chance seconds later, lobbing tamely at Turnbull who then saved with his studs as the striker fired in a low shot.

Drimpton boss Lee Drayton rang the changes from the bench and one of his subs Gavin Tanner went close with a low shot on the turn that Dear did well to keep out.

But Halstock went close to adding a second in stoppage time with Cawley narrowly wide at full stretch from close in and then having another effort correctly ruled out for offside.

But it mattered not and Halstock, who reformed last Summer, lifted a knock-out trophy since lifting the Jack Venn cup back in 1992-93.

Drimpton: N.Turnbull, S.Denslow, W.Gullin (Capt), J.Parsons, L.Adams, C.Fry, C.Rowsell, C.Strelley, C.Studley, B.Hayne, G.Tuck. Subs: D.Fry, G.Tanner, A.Jeffery, A.Woods, T.Pomfrett.
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Premier: South Petherton 0 Shepton Beauchamp 3 (J.Spurdle, A.Dawe, D.Whitfield).

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Thursday, May 5th

Division Two: Chard Rangers 2 (K.Cavanagh, S.Curtis) Farway Utd 5 (J.Murrell, F.Souza, B.King), Chard Utd Res 1 (L.Mesquita) Merriott Rovers 6 (L.Gosney, T.A.Brayshaw, M.Tweedie, A.Cooper, C.Lacey), Merriott Dyn 1 (D.Samson) S.Petherton Res 5 (R.Thurgood 4, J.Rees).

Division Three: Chard Utd AS 2 (S.Ridley-Brown 2) Dowlish & Donyatt 6 (C.Tanner 2, G.Babb, H.Brown, M.Vinall, A.Payne), Ilminster Town A 1 (D.Goward) Netherbury Res 2 (A.Goodrick, W.Furzeman).

Friday, May 6th Arthur Gage Cup Final DRIMPTON 2 MISTERTON 4

It would have been nice therefore if they could have finished on a high.

Victory would have seen them finish a very creditable 16th, but Ollie Palmer's well struck shot three minutes from time actually saw them drop a place to 19th; still excellent considering their plight at the turn of the year.

Chances going to waste

In what was an entertaining match, played in a quite good spirit; especially remembering the aggravating, nagging style of O's manager Andy Hesselthaler; and although Yeovil dominated the game, their Achilles heel; their inability to turn possession into goals; continued to the end.

DEPELETED Drimpton tasted bitter cup final defeat for the second time in 48 hours as Misterton racked up their 16th successive victory.

The final, played at Axminster Town's new Tiger Way Ground for the first time, was a scrappy affair for the opening half hour. Missy took the lead when Ash Francis collected a short corner before swinging over an incisive cross that was glanced home was Jason Rendell.

But Drimpton levelled when Barry Hayne bundled the ball home from close range in the 40th minute.

Misterton recovered from the set-back with a cracking double from Mike McCormack around the hour mark.

The Greens were thrown a lifeline in the 82nd minute when a keeping howler allowed Will Brooks to make it 3-2.

Misterton soon ended any hopes of a late fight back when Jake Barry rounded off a fine team move to clinch the win and the Unity Lane side lifted the trophy for the first time in 52 years.

Misterton assistant manager Paul McCormack said: "Hats off to Drimpton they had a several key first teamers out, but the lads who came in should hold their heads high as they never stopped."

"Winger Chaz Warren was our MoM he really rose to the occasion and covered every blade of grass."

Saturday, May 7th

SOMERSET COUNTY LEAGUE (D1W)
BURNHAM UTD 5 COMBE ST NICHOLAS 2
RICH Hebditch's 21st goal of the season was the highlight as Combe St Nicholas poor run-in was continued with a 5-2 home defeat.

Jamie Barfoot netted the other consolation for the Saints who have won just one in eight ahead of the final game of the season at Portishead Town Reserves next Saturday.

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BEAMINSTER could only rustle up eight players for the scheduled trip to Shilway Lane.

Combe Res 1 Forton Rangers 0

AN own goal decided a draw affair on the Combe second pitch. Both teams completed their seasons – struggling Forton, without a goal in five matches, are relegated to Division One.

Netherbury 4 Crewkerne Town 1

GEORGE Gillman netted the consolation for Crewkerne Town who finally completed a difficult season for the club. Their final goals against tally of 127 was the highest in the Premier Division since Misterton shipped 139 in 1995-96.

PERRY STREET 3 SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP 2

A SUPERB last minute penalty save by Jason Contreras could prove crucial in the destination of the Premier Division title.

Contreras kept out Jamie Spurdle's last kick of the game spot kick after a foul by Dan O'Connor to clinch all three points for the Mothers who came from 2-0 down and, being four points clear with a game in-hand, appear to now have one hand on the trophy.

Visiting Shepton looked to have put the cat amongst the pigeons when goals from Dan Smith and Adam Dawe put them in control at 2-0.

But Street are not unbeaten by chance. Charlie Grierson, up from the Reserves, pulled one back in first half stoppage time. Then in the 83rd minute Sam Bond scrambled in Dan O'Connor's cut back.

And soon after a Jay Stewart flick header put Callum MacHattie through one-on-one. He duly rounded the gloveman and rolled the ball home.

W & M CHINNOCK 0 SOUTH PETHERTON 6
WEST & Middle Chinnock held out for 43 minutes before goals from Sam Bourne and Hayden Smith having started the game with 10 men.

Jamie Underwood then helped himself to a second-half hat-trick and Smith grabbed his second.

"A big win, but nothing to shout about against 10-men," said Pethy manager Karl Diment who conceded that his team are now battling for runners-up spot: "Perry Street have it in the bag."

Division One: Crewkerne Rangers 3 (D.Smith 2, S.Bryant) Pymore 1 (C.Bulman), Thorncombe 2 (L. de Pasquale, D.Winter) Uplyme 1 (J.Beddows).

Division Two: LONG TIME leaders South Petherton took a step closer the title with an 11-0 mauling of hosts Thorncombe Reserves.

Jimmy Rees scored five while Ryan Thurgood netted a hat-trick and Dan Kadir (2) and Matt Darby scored the others.

Meanwhile Merriott Dynamos' two-year stint in the league is over after less than three seasons after they were forced to withdraw after their fourth cancellation. The league table has been adjusted accordingly.

Other scores: Chard Rangers 0 Combe B 2 (N.Reid, S.Scott), Farway Utd p Merriott Dynamos p, Chard Utd Res 3 (L.Mesquita 2, D.Wells-Burr) Hinton 1 (D.Cooper), Kingsbury 1 (W.Arkell) Merriott Rovers 3 (S.Rowsell, C.Gosney, C.Lacey), Winham Utd Res 3 (B.Garrett 3) Shepton Beauchamp Res 2 (J.Brain, T.Crocker).

Division Three: Dowlish & Donyatt 1 (M.Baker) Fivehead 2 (N.Bazeley, Ad

Male), Drimpton Res 1 (K.Pennell) Chardmouth 5, Uplyme Res p Ilminster Town A p (Ilminster no team – 3rd cancellation), Chard Rangers Res p Perry Street Res p, Crewkerne Rangers Res 2 (T.Martin 2) Netherbury Res 2 (G.Green, S.Davis), Farway Utd Res 1 (K.Fletcher) Halstock 4 (M.Cawley 2, C.Kirk, H.Cradock).

◆ *The PSDL began the season with 52 teams but this has dwindled to 46 and, with several teams having already cancelled three times, there may still be more to follow.*

FIXTURES

LAST NIGHT (Monday)

Perry Street v Chard Utd

TONIGHT (Tuesday)

Premier

Shepton Beau v Barrington

Division One

Drimpton v Pymore

Division Two

S.Petherton Res v Merriott Rovers

Division Three

Chard Utd AS v Crewk Rangers Res

Halstock v Fivehead

Ilminster Town A v Chard Rangers Res

Netherbury Res v Perry Street Res.

Wednesday, May 11th

Division One

Uplyme v Combe A

Thursday, May 12th

Premier

Perry Street v Winham Utd

Division One

Drimpton v Crewkerne Rangers

Hawkhurst Utd v Ilminster Colts

Division Two

Merriott Dyn v Shepton Beauchamp Res

Division Three

Farway Utd Res v Dowlish & Donyatt

Fivehead v Charmouth

Netherbury Res v Uplyme Reserves

Friday, May 13th

Daisy Hutchings Cup Final

Misterton v Waytown Hounds

Premier

South Petherton v Netherbury

Saturday, May 14th (2.30ko unless stated)

Premier

West & Middle Chinnock v Beaminster

Division One

Drimpton v Thorncombe (2pm)

Division Two

Farway Utd Res v Thorncombe Res (2pm)

Winham Utd Res v Combe B

Division Three

Chard Rangers Res v Charmouth

Dowlish & Donyatt v Halstock

Fivehead v Ilminster Town A

Uplyme Res v Chard Utd All Stars

Drimpton Res v Crewk Rangers Res (4.15)

Farway Utd Res v Netherbury Res (4.15)

Tuesday, May 16th

Division Three

Chard Rangers Res v Crewk Rang Res

Dowlish & Donyatt v Drimpton Res

Glovers sign off with a blank day

Yeovil Town 0 Leyton Orient 1

motor racing rallying

Hat-trick for Le Coadou

GARY Le Coadou won the Corinium Stages for the third year in succession in his Toyota Corolla WRC.

This year the Broadway-based rally driver was up against some tough competition especially from another local crew Martin and Dawn England in their 2016 spec R5+ Fiesta.

The event was held at Down Ampney in Gloucestershire and attracted an entry of 58 crews from as far afield as the Channel Islands.

The rally consisted of eight special stages covering 45 competitive miles on a concrete surface which, with a sprinkling of gravel, allows very little grip.

Le Coadou and co-driver Carl Sorensen finished the first loop of stages with a 14 second advantage over the Fiesta and a further five seconds ahead of the Darrian T9 GTR of Chris Simmons.

The next pair of stages saw the Toyota Corolla suffering with tyre degradation and dropped five seconds back to Martyn's R5.

The following stage saw the departure of Chris Simmons' Darrian so third place was now held by Tim Self in a Subaru S14 closely followed by Dave Parnell in his Mk 1 Escort.

Just before the last stage the weather conditions changed dramatically and the sunshine turned to hail and sleet.

With just five minutes before the final Time Control, the Toyota team made a decision to change onto a different tyre compound which turned out to be the correct call.

The majority of drivers had a horrendous final stage in treacherous conditions and Le Coadou came home victorious 48 seconds ahead of the rest of the field.



◆ THREE ON THE SPIN: Gary Le Coadou

cricket east devon

Week one in brief

Devon League

Premier: Sidmouth 224-8 (Cooke 109) North Devon 226-3 (Verreyenne 102*) North Devon (19pts) beat Sidmouth (five) by seven wickets.

Division B: Thorverton 196-7 (D Baldock 87no; W Harrison 3-26, J Birch 3-28) Ottery St Mary 200-8 (J Field 79, R Crabb 39no). Ottery (18) beat Thorverton (8) by two wickets.

Division C: Axminster 65 (C Lewis 3-5), Clyst Hydon 69-0 (I Sutton 44no). Clyst Hydon (20) beat Axminster (1) 10 wickets.

Feniton 353-8 (D Court 184), Filleigh 140 (A Ramcharan 5-35, J French 3-40). Feniton (20) beat Filleigh.

Kilmington 209 (T Gooding 53, M Rockett 39, A Rockett 36; G McEndoo 3-33), Barnstaple & Pilton 134 (T Gooding 3-19, T Olive 3-31). Kilmington (20) beat B&P (8) by 75 runs.

Seaton 258-3 (J Seward 108no, K Moran 47), Countess Wear 249-7 (J Bogue 114no J Seward 3-58, P Collins 3-46). Seaton (18) beat Countess Wear (6) by nine runs.

Cullumpton 264 (A Pullin 110, D Paul 63, M Batey 4-29), Uplyme 130 (N Dinnesson 45; K Nessling 3-12). Cullumpton (20) beat Uplyme (8) by 134 runs.

Division D (east): Halberton & SP 176-9, Chardstock 177-1 (S Parris 84, V Parris 56). Chardstock (19) beat Halberton (4) by nine wickets.

Clyst St George 285-5 (S Cooper 88, C Ferro 70, I Edworthy 57no), Uptontery 200 (M Joyce 42, B Jackson 4-41). Clyst SG (20) beat Uptontery (7) by 85 runs.

Woodbury 147, Honiton 148-2 (B Cann 74no), Honiton (20) beat Woodbury (4) by eight wickets.

2nd XI Premier: Sidmouth 201-9 (S Patidar 91A Ashworth 4-22), North Devon 179-9 (R Ayre 98; D Lines 3-39). Sidmouth (19) beat North Devon (7) by 22 runs.

2nd XI Division A: Torquay 242-9 (B R Passenger 50), Ottery 205-8 (D Jeacock 50, H Mutter 50, T Hinch 31no). Torquay (19) beat Ottery (8) by 37 runs.

2nd XI Division A: Uptontery 101-9 (D Kennard 22; Rose Ball 3-9) Bideford 105-4. Bideford (19) beat Uptontery (4) by six wickets.

Sidmouth 3rds 150 (D Watkins 32) Shobrooke Park 154-4 (C Dare 100no). Shobrooke Park (20) beat Sidmouth (5) by six wickets.

Seaton 204-7 (S Goodier 65, O Aplin 46), Bradninch 205-5 (C Acton 48) Bradninch (18) beat Seaton (7) by five wickets.

2nd XI Division C east: Uplyme & Lyme Regis unable to raise a side. Honiton (20) Uplyme & Lyme Regis (-10). Kentisbeare 218-6 (C Gillett 52, P Diamond 56, J Farley 53; R Gay 3-51). Kilmington 219-6 (J Tattershall 82no; H Lunn 3-44) Kilmington (18) beat Kentisbeare (8) by four wickets.

Clyst Hydon v Axminster. Axminster unable to raise a side. Clyst Hydon (20) Axminster (-10).

starter's orders running round up

Denne takes tape in Beer Blazer

AXE VALLEY RUNNERS

with Dave Mutter

FANTASTIC weather greeted the start of the Beer Blazer series of races.

Organised by Katherine Reed of Beer Primary School there were One mile, 5K & 10K races, the latter incorporating some of the Grizzly route including the Stairway to Heaven, but this year there was a real sting in the tail with hills after the cliff climb.

There were 85 runners in the one mile event which was won by Jack Pellow of Charmouth with Beer's Harvey Green 2nd and Sam Eyre from Colyton 3rd. Innes Fitzgerald was the first girl with Izzy Pellow 2nd and Alice Clark 3rd.

The 5K event attracted 39 runners and was won by Simon Davies in 20:34, with Phoebe Clarke 2nd overall and first girl, 22:04 and AVR's Tom Perry 3rd, 22:23. Kate Marriott of Sidmouth College was 2nd girl, 4th overall, 23:47 and AVR's Holly Eyre 3rd girl, 6th overall.

Other AVR results: Finley Cox 10th, 25:58; Lily Bryant 15th, 31:22; Kian Thomson 19th, 33:39; and Sam Thomson 35th, 44:55.

Honiton RC's James Denne won the 10K race in 40:57 with Wayne Loveridge of Chard RR 2nd, 44:15 and AVR's Tim Lenton was 3rd, 44:47.

The ladies event was won by AVR's Amy Greenhalgh who was 7th overall in 48:54. Honiton RC's Gemma Collier was 2nd lady, 52:01 and AVR's Clare Hansford 3rd lady, 54:02.

Other AVR performances with Terry Emmett 5th, 45:45; Karl Hodson 9th, 49:52; Matt Hewer 11th, 50:40; Rupert Pady 13th, 51:47; Michael Clark 15th, 52:15 and Jonathan Day 18th, 53:22. Justin Sloman finished 23rd, 55:53; Eleanor Wood 28th, 56:56; Stephen Grigg 33rd, 58:27; Iain Horlock 42nd, 1:00:41; Fran McMahon 52nd, 1:03:24; Richard Hale 53rd, 1:03:32; Dan Ayling 54th, 1:04:20; Keith Agland 55th, 1:04:41; An-



◆ READY: Axe Valley runners assemble before Sunday's Beer Blazer 10K

drew Sayers 60th, 1:05:52; Angela Kerr 62nd, 1:06:16 – a new PB by three mins; Anders Larsson 70th, 1:09:15; Canny Hart 75th, 1:10:40; Sarah Herfet 78th, 1:11:03; Gillian Peach 80th, 1:11:16; Suzy Eul-Brown 94th, 1:15:03; John Mel-lodew 95th, 1:15:16. Jessica Tubbs was 97th, 1:15:52; Sue Tubbs 98th, 1:15:53 and Martin Kerr 110th, 1:21:20.

Elsewhere, Vicky Hiron ran the Leeds Half Marathon in temperatures exceeding 25 degrees. Many runners collapsed en-route but Vicky completed in 2:47:15, raising over £300 for Pancreatic Cancer research.

CHARD ROAD RUNNERS

with Paul Masters

JEREMY Taylor set off for the RIDGEWAY WALK/RUN, an Ultra Run along the route of the Ancient Ridgeway between Sanctuary On Overton Hill Marlborough and the River Thames Gap at Goring /Strealey. This 40 mile Run along the Ridgeway was all off road and with the heat Jeremy had to dig deep but managed an incredible

seven hour completion time

Gary Wheaton and Wayne Loveridge competed in the **Beer Blazer**. Loveridge finished 2nd in 44min 15sec with Wheaton 101st in 01:12:42.

Elsewhere four CRRs ran the Montacute Park Run, part of the CRR's Runners series.

Matt Baker was off in great form and adding to his recent form came across the line first for CRR's, next, securing her 5k PB was Miranda Coleberd.

Results; M.Batt (75th) 25:17, M.Coleberd (168) 30:08, C.Dis-more (182) 31:05, M.Boarder (183) 31:06.

HONITON RC with Judy Davey

THE Club was well represented on Sunday at the **Beer Blazer 10k** off road run on the hottest day of the year so far.

HRC's James Denne won the race in the fantastic time of 40 minutes 57 seconds, over three minutes ahead of the 2nd runner.

Denne's partner Gemma Collier was first lady back for HRC and

2nd lady overall in 52:01.

Rod Inglis surprised everyone to finish next in 20th place and 54:28 as his speed has been steady in training recently while Sherrie Hair had a great run finishing 4th lady, 22nd overall in 55:06.

Mark Dallyn finishing in 56:19 led the next trio of HRC runners home coming 24th with David Hawker five seconds later and Steve Davey a further seven seconds back.

Dan Strawbridge never really found his pace finishing 29th in 57:13. Howard Bidmead came 35th in 58:56 with Judy Davey 38th in 59:38.

Jo Davey finished 50th in 1:02:50, Linda Pike 61st in 1:05:56, Brent Dicks 63rd in 1:06:49, Nicola Greenland 67th in 1:07:42, Claire Rouse 79th in 1:11:12.

Kathy Layzell completed the HRC line-up 105th in 1:17:44 whilst sporting a new hair cut after having her head shaved for the King's House Day Hospice and Send a Cow charities in memory of her father.

There were 130 finishers.

tee off golf news from honiton, axe cliff and cricket st thomas

Clean sweep for Honiton seniors

HONITON

with John Pawley

THE seniors won all the six matches against Oake Manor on Tuesday while Thursday saw the return of the Emerton Court fixture, and though this was a closer result, Honiton lost and now go out of the competition.

On Friday the Seniors were reminded that golf is a strangely unpredictable game.

The previous week they had been subjected to almost every weather condition short of a meteor strike – yet returned some creditable scores. On this occasion, whilst basking in glorious sunshine, their efforts were described by Captain Alan Pollock as "not very good".

The competition was a 3 BBB Stableford with two scores to count. Victorious, with 72pts were Dave Morgan, Tony Proudfoot & Tom Tunncliffe.

Three teams followed, all with 71 so separated by count-back with Ron Graham, Dave Lavender & David Ives coming second, with Phil Faulkner, David Scott & Eric Short next and lastly Mike Sennitt,

Max Pipe & Peter Clarke. There were two 2s: Tony Williams on the 2nd and Mike Watts on the 10th, entitling each to 17 golf balls.

Saturday saw 56 teams compete in the first Open competition of the year when the format was 3BBB

for the Dave Bird Trophy. Requiring at least one member of Honiton in each team, the team of Jackie Seager, Henrietta Bradshaw & Anne Trayling were just beaten by Julian Phillips, Ben Phillips & Stewart Slater who came home with a fantastic 45pts.

The scheduled ladies competition was cancelled to allow members to attend the funeral of Club President Alec Gosling.

AXE CLIFF

with Peter Motson

THE Ladies section played their Medal and Axe Cliff 1 competition in bright sunshine which resulted in Helen Gaudy being cut one stroke to 29.7.

Helen won with a net score of 71. In 2nd place was Margaret Kenchington with a net 75 and in 3rd

was Sandra Walker with a net 76.

CRICKET ST THOMAS

with Bert Robinson

ON A SUNNY Wednesday 42 members of the Senior Section played a 14 team "Hassle" competition.

Bob White's team led for some time with a net score of 64.5, but was overtaken twice by teams led

by Bob Barrow and later by Jonny Bloys.

Result; 1st Jonny Bloys; Mike Mosser & Andy Beale 63.17, 2nd Bob Barrow; Chris Basterfield & Nick Hill 64.00, 3rd Bob White; Maurice Arnold & Ian Fielder 64.50.

Meanwhile, 80 Seniors from ten clubs from Devon, Dorset and Somerset entered the "Jurassic challenge"

on Wednesday a charity event which raised £650 for Alzheimer UK. The format was the aggregate stableford score of the eight players in a team.

Due to some prolific scoring by Nobby Hodder and Bryan Frost, who made the best score of the day with 45 points, the Cricket St Thomas team won the trophy by five



◆ WINNERS: Robin Flower & John Wandless receive the Silver Salver at Axe Cliff golf club

points over the Stover team.

Results: 1st Cricket St Thomas 164 points, 2nd Stover 159, 3rd The Dorset 155.

On Friday, 48 Seniors entered the monthly medal qualifying competition off the white tees.

In Division One no player managed to beat par, but Mike Burt managed to make level par.

Two players managed to score sub par rounds in Division 2.

Division 1; 1st Mike Burt

70, 2nd Chris Basterfield 71, 3rd Terry Rutherford 72.

Division 2; 1st Brian Anderson 67, 2nd Nobby Hodder 68, 3rd Andy Beale 70.

Meanwhile, on Friday, two members of the Senior Section travelled to Seaton to participate in the Axe Cliff Open tournament. In a crowded field, Robin Flower & John Wandless emerged victorious with a score of 47 points beating the second placed team by three points.

tennis seaton

The Great British Tennis Weekend

SEATON Tennis club is welcoming visitors and members alike with a day of free coaching and different tennis activities to try from 10am to 4pm next Saturday 14th May.

Local MP Neil Parish, the Mayor of Seaton, Tony Woodman, Councillor Jim Knight and representatives of the LTA (Lawn Tennis Association) and local tennis leagues will be there in the morning to welcome visitors of any age and ability.

Rackets and balls will be provided for anyone new to the game and absolutely anyone can get involved. Whether you've never picked up a racket before or are a seasoned regular, all ability levels are welcome. Free refreshments will be provided.

Programme details

9.30am – Tots (under 5 years)

10am – Mini Tennis Red, Orange and Green Coaching session (5-10 years)

10am – Adult Beginner/Improver coaching session

11am – Welcome from Chairman with MP, Mayor of Seaton and other distinguished guests

11am – 11-16 years yellow ball coaching session

11am – Adult Intermediate/Advanced coaching session

Midday – Cardio Tennis Drills for all ages

1-4pm – Courts free for open play and practice for juniors and adults, coaches on hand to give training tips and hints.

To book a place on any of these sessions go to <https://club-spark.lta.org.uk/> or contact Jason Martin, Head Coach, on 07931-743168 or email jas@jason-martinsports.com

For information about Seaton Tennis Club, please visit www.seatontennis.net or contact Membership Secretary, Jeremy Warner on seatontennis@gmail.com or 07973 506312.

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rugby chard

Fun in the sun

ON Sunday, May 1st Chard had a superb last day of rugby with three games and a crowd in excess of 300 watching the ladies and vets game during the afternoon. The first match of the day was a last minute affair with Chard putting out a scratch under 15/16 side and going down 26-24 against tourists Looe.

Chard Ladies 15
HONITON LADIES 7
THIS was a terrific occasion with both sides contributing to an excellent game and giving ladies rugby a real boost in the area.

In addition to the game something in the region of £1000 was raised during the day with £500 being contributed to the ladies teams chosen charity of HELP and £500 going towards funding Ladies rugby in Chard.

HELP is a charity which funds the providing of emergency helicopter pads. This was chosen as the charity because one of the Chard players Becca Glazier works for the charity, and another Clare Baker works as a paramedic for the air ambulance service.

Chard took the lead from a try coming from a driving maul with Mel Banfield getting the final touch. Banfield then got her second try after some good approach work from Claire Baker. The try was again unconverted but Chard led 10-0 at the break.

Honiton came back well in the second half and a converted try brought the score to 10-7 but a late try from Naomi Hopkins sealed the win for Chard.

Chard Vets 40
Crewkerne xv 17
THIS was arranged as a fun end of season game but with bragging rights at stake.

Crewkerne took the lead when a wild pass from Jock McKerrow was intercepted but Chard got back into things thanks to some poor handling by former Chard player Scott Johnson.

As a result Paul Nicholls got Chard's first try and then converted a second from Mike Summers.

Crewkerne replied immediately to make the half time score 12-10.

Crewkerne fell apart when Chard brought on some under 40s but, after going well ahead, they calmed things down with the introduction of club stalwart Kevin Templeman still playing at 60+.

Former Chard player Jon Hendy, chard playing with his true team for the first time in years, scored late in the game as did Steve Long to seal a fun win for the home side.

Jack high bowls news

Great start for Seaton A

ILMINSTER with Des Maull

ILMINSTER'S first friendly of the season was home against Seaton on Thursday.

The result was a win for SEATON by four shots. Details: Des Maull, Rita Grout, Royston Grout & David Pugh 18 R Rowley 27; Val Dargue, Margaret Evans, Roy Orme & Dave Crouch 12 M Vessey 22; Steve Peasland, Norma Pugh & Roger Lench 29 T Hurley-Smith 18; Betty Marner, Steve Yarrow, Colin Osborne 7 Rod Parkin 18 D Morley 14.

On Friday the men entertained NORTH PETHERTON in a three rink friendly with Ilminster winning by 22 shots. Details: John Osborne, Derek Carter, Pete Patmore & Eric Keitch 18-18; Des Maull, Tony Bickle, Roy Orme & Roger Lench 23-12; Peter Bloomfield, Bill Bally, Dave Hall & Rod Parkin 22-11.

Next Saturday sees the start of the County League with the B, C, and D teams at home. The A team are away to Portishead Royal British Legion.

OTTERY ST MARY with Mike Smith

ON MONDAY, May 2nd Ottery welcomed tourists WESTLECOT for a six-rink friendly. The rinks were shared 3-3 with Ottery winning overall 124-98, Carol Keating, Charlie Griffin, Tony Luff & skip Shirley Fewtrell had a resounding 34-7 success.

The next day FENITON were the visitors, but this time Ottery went down 3-2 and 73-101 overall, the best Ottery rink was a 21-19 win by Richard Chapple, Jill White, Fred Dart & skip Mollie Parker.

In the Men's Over 60's league Ottery got off to a disappointing start with all three teams only coming away with two points.

The week ended with another home fixture against MADEIRA, again the rinks were shared at 3-3, with Madeira winning overall 87-113, the best Ottery rink was Pam Baker, Celia Russell, Tony Bushell & skip Ray Luscombe with a 17-10 victory.

SEATON with Linda Stone

ON BANK Holiday Monday Seaton Bowling Club were due to play a friendly match against the Nomads.

The Nomads are a team which draws members from around the county and raise money for a variety of Charities. Unfortunately the weather didn't co-operate and after two ends the match had to be abandoned. Instead we had a quiz and a raffle and still raised a considerable amount of money.

Sidmouth was the next home fixture with Seaton just losing 76-72. Seaton's top rink was Gill Sykes, Chris Barradell, Dave Yardley & Marion Vessey 18 - 11.

After climbing from Division Seven to Division One in successive seasons Seaton A Over 60s team made the best possible start in the top league.

They made the long journey to Okehampton on Wednesday, returning with the maximum eight points by winning both rinks for an overall 35-30 victory. Best triple was Terry Hurley-Smith, Ken Shean & Roger Woodland.

On Thursday four rinks travelled to Ilminster to play a friendly. In glorious sunshine Seaton won 81-77. Top rink was Norman Stone, Sylvie Warrick, Bob Scull & Marion Vessey 22 - 12.

FENITON with Roger Smith

THE men's over 60s triples A team got their season off to a flying start by defeating HONITON B 39-17.

The winning rinks were; R North, A Smith & P Edmonds 23-9 and M Chipperfield, P Spreadbury & J Skinner 16-8.

The B team put up a creditable performance against EXONIA C losing 26-30. The winning rink was D Downs, G Phillips & D Conbeer 20-7.

The Ladies over 50s team suffered a narrow 30-34 defeat to MADEIRA. The winning rink was J Smith, G North & S Kury 20-15.

The mixed team started the week with an excellent 101-73 win away at OTTERY ST MARY. The winning rinks were; T Cox, V Jones, R Veitch & D Coyne 25-10, A Coyne, A Hughes, D Downs & D Phillips 23-9 and F Jones, J Mitchell, J Smith & I Veitch 20-12. Unfortunately, they suffered a 65-74 defeat away at CHUDLEIGH.

In the semi-finals of the CLUB MIXED TRIPLES J Wheatley, A Coyne & G Phillips defeated D Sanders, G North & R North 16-15 and D Downs, J Lovell & K Lovering defeated D



◆ **WELL DONE:** Sally Lowe, Assistant at Milford & Dormor Ilminster Office, presents the captain of Merriott John Parsons with the Friday night Milford & Dormor Triples Cup.

Bowden, B Bowden & L Ley 17-15.

The Club Open Day on Sunday was a huge success with over 30 potential new members.

SEVERALLS with Pru Robbins

ON SUNDAY, May 1st we travelled to BRIDPORT for a four rink friendly when, after the usual 21 ends, we lost 53-68.

Rink scores: C.Phin, Jackie Stacey, Alec Larcombe & M.Rawe 15-16. J.Brazier, A.McLaren, Ann Larcombe & R.Devney 14-17. L.McLaren, J.Chance, J.Stacey & D.Rees 15-16. L.Freeman L.Noah, A.Dow & R.Hodder 9-19.

On Tuesday, May 3rd we played CREWKERNE in the league Cup winning 83-72 rink scores; M.Robins, J.Lacey, T.Robins & R.Devney 29 M.Harwood 13. L.Freeman, A.McLaren, P.Loaring & A.Dow 28 D.Wallis 24. A.Brolly, J.Stacey, M.Rawe & R.Hodder 16 D.Smith 19. L.McLaren, J.Chance, H.Leamon & K.Leamon 10 J.Smith 16.

CHARDSTOCK with Gordon Bodily

THURSDAY, April 21st; 12 members of the Mens section visited YEOVIL BC for a five-rink friendly.

Scores; Jim Marks, Derek Eldridge & Ken Wakelin 27-11. Mike Rogers, Jim Tucker & Norman Denslow 15-16. Ted Bird, John Rolph & Alfie Day 21-9. Jon Pratt, Wallace Kerr & Mar Toms 13-14. Final score: Yeovil 50 Chardstock 78.

Monday, April 25th; Nine members of the Mens section visited SIDMOUTH BC for a three-rink friendly.

Scores; John Porter, Wallace Kerr & Jim Marks 12-18. Ted Bird, Ken Wakelin & Mar Toms 22 F Adlam 10. Derek Eldridge, John Rolph & Alfie Day 11 R Cook 22. Final Score Sidmouth 50 Chardstock 45.

Thursday, April 28th; 16 Members visited FENITON BC for a mixed friendly.

Scores; Rosemary Pratt, Eise van der Meulin, Eileen Rolph & John Porter 5 A Smith 30. Simon Hatcliffe, Jon Pratt, Ann Seibrigt & Sheila Jeffery 27 R Smith 14. Phyllis Baldwin, Gillian Campbell, John Rolph & Jim Tucker 15 A Kury 13. Jeanette Porter, Deborah Hatcliffe, Ken Wakelin & Norman Denslow 18 J Livings 11. Final Score Feniton 68 Chardstock 65.

Friday, April 29th; Our visitors were 12 members of the MADERIA BC Mens section for friendly.

Scores; Mike Rogers, Wallace Kerr & John Rolph 20-14. Simon Hatcliffe, Alfie Day & Ken Wakelin 11-18. Arthur Callagan Jim Marks Norman Denslow 21-13. Ted Bird, Peter Compton & Mar Toms 16-16. Final score Chardstock 68 Madeira 61.

Wednesday, May 4th; The Mens over 60s B team were at home to TIVERTON WE D.

Scores; Simon Hatcliffe, John Rolph & Jim Tucker 22-9. Ted Bird, Derek Eldridge & Wallace Kerr 13-16. Final Score Chardstock 35 Tiverton WE 25.

SOUTH PETHERTON with Bob Dickie

On Saturday, April 30th South Petherton hosted QUEEN CAMEL in their first game in the Wessex League - a mixed four-rink match played in cloudy overcast conditions on a well prepared early season green.

The match ended with a crushing 4-0 rink win to South Petherton with a score of 111-68.

Best winning team consisted of; Martin Cornelius, Geraldine McSweeney, Bob Dickie & Lawrence Symes with a score of 26-11.

MERRIOTT with Jean Crisp

MERRIOTT started their season on Tuesday, April 19th with a match between a President's side and a Captain's team. Played in reasonably good weather the President's team ran out the winners.

Then on Saturday, April 23rd the club played an Australian pairs tournament. The winners were David Baker & Margaret Heathcote.

The first competitive match was a friendly on April 28th against LYME REGIS. Unfortunately Merriott lost by three rinks to one and by 53 shots to 78.

Rink scores: D.Heathcote, B.Dibble, C.Truscott & A.Truscott 12 P.Moffitt 16. P.Williams, J.Ashby, P.Melson & N.Whitfield 11 A.Allman 23. D.Crisp, M.Heathcote, B.Whitfield & E.Rush 14 R.Legg 25. M.Allen, A.Williams, J.Crisp & R.Self 16 B.Rattenbury 14.

Another friendly home match was played the following Saturday, this time against EASTOVER PARK. The rinks were tied at 2-2 but Merriott won 79-74 on shots.

Rink scores: B.Dibble, P.Melson, P.Stow & J.Parsons 16 K.Giles 22. D.Heathcote, B.Whitfield, C.Truscott & R.Self 24 G.Beazard 12. J.Crisp, J.Churchman, N.Whitfield & A.Truscott 15 A.Culverwell 28. E.Rush, M.Heathcote, I.Kendall & C.Parsons 24 P.Botting 12.

Earlier in April, 19 bowlers travelled to Portugal for 11 days for a bowls touring holiday when four different clubs were visited along the Algarve.

Merriott are always looking for new members, anyone interested in trying bowls please contact our secretary Ian Kendall on 01460 73029.

HONITON with Julie Grant

THANK goodness for a winning mixed friendly result for Honiton bowlers as the Over 60s triples league for men has got off to an unfortunate losing start.

Against MADEIRA Honiton won 65-54 with the top rink of Di Hawkins, Barrie Singleton & Gerry Stafrace.

The Over 60 league results brought a loss to ST THOMAS for the A team; winning triple was Peter Robinson, Bob Mackintosh & David Lindley 20-11.

The C team have suffered two losses, first to HEMYOCK by 16 but with a winning triple of Ken Clarke, Mike Dart & Gerry Stafrace 20-16, and then to BRADNINCH 16-53.

youth football news

SEATON Town U14 played their last home game of the season on Saturday against CULLOMPTON RANGERS.

Cullompton took the lead but Seaton soon replied with a nicely taken goal from Scott De Gache and took the lead when a great team move was finished off by Reece McCabe.

Seaton's lead was then increased with a trademark 30 yard screamer from Rhys Philips.

Seaton eventually added a fourth in the second half when a goal mouth scramble saw McCabe prod the ball home for his second.

Seaton complete their season away at NEWTON KNIGHTS on Thursday.

On Saturday Axminster Town U8s finished their season with a fine performance against an ARSENAL ACADEMY team.

The match consisted of four Quaters. The young Tigers lost all four but the 1-0, 1-0, 2-0 and 2-0 score lines didn't justify how the games went.

Then Axminster U7s may well HAVE BEEN SLIGHTLY INTIMIDATED BY THEIR Arsenal Academy opponents which led to some early conceded goals.

But as the games progressed the team's confidence grew and some excellent wide play produced some quality goals.

Game results; lost one and won one. Scorers Ruben Baulch, Ollie Gabb and Alpie Bird.

hockey chard

Come along and have a go

STARTING tomorrow (Wednesday, May 11th), Chard Hockey Club is inviting beginners and former players to take part in friendly, informal skills sessions and short games at the newly resurfaced, all-weather pitch at Holyrood Academy.

The sessions will run from 6.30 to 8pm every Wednesday, the emphasis being on social and none too taxing outdoor exercise.

There is no need to pre-register. Just turn up, pay on the day (£2). Hockey sticks can be provided for those who don't have one of their own.

For more information call Ros Clemmans on 01297 32661.

For more information on Chard Hockey Club visit www.chardhockeyclub.co.uk, Facebook: Chardhockeyclub or Twitter: twitter@chardhockeyclub.

angling ilminster

Jake amongst the carp

ELEVEN Ilminster AA members fished Hebditch's Pond on Sunday when some good weights of carp were recorded.

Jake Woodard on peg one caught carp from the off and ended up with 87 for a comfortable win with 97lb 12oz. Jamie Rich was second with 48 caught shallow on pellet from peg nine for 65lb 7oz and Terry Morgan was third with 30lb 6oz of carp on bread from peg two.

The club would like to thank Harry Hebditch and the anglers for raising £55 for Harry's chosen charity, The British Heart Foundation.

Sections; A - Steve Hurford (Ilminster) - 8lb 14oz. B - Harry Hebditch (Ilminster) - 27lb.

cribbage round-up

HONITON

Result KO Cup Final;
Workingmens A (3+4) 7
Thirsty Farmer (5+4) 9
Fixture; Chairmans Challenge - May 12th; League Champions (Blacksmiths

Arms, Plymtree) v Knock Out Cup Winners (Thirsty Farmer, Whimble) venue to be decided.

Presentation Night will be held at the Vine Inn, Honiton on May 21st at 8pm.

Axminster Skittle League

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The AGM will be held on 11th May 8pm

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Halstock lift Hodges Cup



◆ **WE'RE BACK:** Halstock marked their return to the Perry Street League by beating Drimpton 1-0 in their own Ken Hodges Cup Final last Wednesday. Mark Cawley netted the only goal with a superb free-kick for Adge Diment's (pictured on left) side who are also chasing the Division Three title.
Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE



◆ **LAPPING IT UP:** Last month 19 Merriott Bowling Club bowlers travelled to Portugal for 11 days for a bowls touring holiday when four different clubs were visited along the Algarve.

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